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HOOP TEAMS SPLIT HONORS

The Sikeston basketball teams, playing a pre-season game with the Bloomfield high school last Friday night at Bloomfield, divided honors, the boys dropping their season opener and the girls coming back with the bacon. The girls played first, and against odds, but easily walked away with a 34 to 11 victory. The odds consisted of a 2-division instead of the customary 3-division court.

The first team consisting of Helen Baker, who incidently led the scoring for the girls with 17 points, Margaret Baker, who added six more, Capt. Nell Littleton with 10 points to her credit, G. Conley, Margaret Whidden and Imogene Albritton played to the half and left the court to second team girls with a safe margin of 22 points. The score at the half was 28 to 6. Whidden stayed in at the half, being shifted from running center to jump center. Trousdale, J. Baker, L. Reiss, R. York, G. Frey and Whidden, comprising the relief squad, made a fine showing and ended the game with a 34 to 11 score.

The score for girls' team:

Sikeston	FG	FT	T
H. Baker, f	8	1	17
C, Trousdale, f	0	2	0
M. Baker, f	3	0	6
J. Baker, f	0	0	0
N. Littleton, Capt., j. c.	5	1	10
L. Reiss, r. c.	0	1	0
G. Conley, g	0	0	0
R. York, g	0	0	0
M. Whidden, g, j. c.	0	0	0
I. Albritton, g	0	0	0
G. Frey, g	0	1	0
	16	2	34

Bloomfield	FG	FT	F	T
B. Parker, f	1	1	0	3
N. Trotter, f	1	0	0	2
Moore, f	1	0	0	2
W. Sorrell, j. c.	2	0	0	4
L. Foster, Capt. g.	0	0	1	0
N. Miller, r. c.	0	0	3	0
O. Colyer, g	0	0	1	0
Brannock, g	0	0	0	0
	5	1	5	11

The boys lost a clean, hard fought game and have no alibis to offer. The loss of this game by a seven-point margin is charged to experience, for only one letter man, Watson, played in the game Friday night. Nolan White is still sick with flu, and McDonald is laid up with a bad ankle. Bloomfield took a 2-1 lead at the end of the first quarter and gradually increased it to 17-10. At the half, the score stood 9-4 and at the end of the third quarter 13-6.

A play-by-play score sheet which marks each player attempting a basket, shows clearly that the locals are weak on actually making their shots count when the opportunity presents itself. Out of 27 attempts, the Bulldogs made only four baskets or eight points, while the Bloomfield hoopsters attempted 43 shots for a total of 16 points. The locals, however, made a slightly better showing on free throws, scoring twice out of seven attempts to one out of six for the opposition.

The material is fine this year and just needs brushing up defensively. They managed to break through frequently but made few shots good, and also allowed too many shots for the other team. The following score sheet gives the attempted field goals, actual field goals made, attempted free throws, actual free throws made and fouls:

Sikeston	AFG	FG	AFT	FT	F	T
J. F. Cox, f.	4	0	0	0	2	0
G. Doss, f	0	0	0	0	0	0
R. Daniels, f	4	1	0	0	1	2
Capt. Watson, c	19	3	6	2	2	8
R. Mow, f	0	0	0	0	1	0
S. Jones, g	0	0	0	0	0	0
S. Brewer, g	0	0	0	0	0	0
A. Hayden, g	0	0	1	0	0	0
	27	4	7	2	6	10

Bloomfield	AFG	FG	AFT	FT	F	T
R. Colyer, f	9	3	0	0	1	6
J. Brannock, f	9	1	1	1	1	3
Reynolds, f	2	0	0	0	0	0
C. Eaton, c	17	4	3	0	1	8
Capt. O. Moore, g	4	0	2	0	4	0
C. Capps, g	2	0	0	0	1	0
R. Brannock, g	0	0	0	0	2	0
	43	8	6	1	10	17

Referee: Reed. Both Sikeston teams will be in action at the high school gym this coming Friday night against Malden. Game will be called at 7:30.

"ARMY" NEGRO, FIGURES IN HARD LUCK DRUNK CASE SUN.

The hard luck experience for the week goes without protest to "Army" negro porter at a local hotel. "Army" was picked up in a more or less groggy condition by officers Sunday evening, and was hailed into police court on a charge of being drunk. Judge Myers assessed his fine and costs at $8. Shortly thereafter another officer took the same culprit to the Justice of the Peace court of Judge Smith, where a fine of $6 and a 30-day jail sentence was assessed.

BOONVILLE SHERIFF INDICTED

Boonville, December 15.—Sheriff P. B. McMahan of Cooper County today was arrested by County Coroner Herman Schitzky on a grand jury indictment charging embezzlement. McMahan was indicted on six counts by the grand jury which was discharged this week.

McMahan is alleged to have collected several hundred dollars in fines and kept the money instead of turning it in to the county school fund. In the sale of land at foreclosures, it was said, he failed to turn in all the money collected. The total amount is estimated at $2000. McMahan gave $1000 bail for his appearance at the February term of court. His term of office expires January 1.

SURPRISE BRIDGE SHOWER

Mesdames J. L. Matthews and Chas. Lindley entertained with a surprise bridge shower for Miss Georgia Jennings, at the home of Mrs. Matthews Saturday afternoon. Miss Jennings will become the bride of Harold Hebbeler of Cape Girardeau, the latter part of this month.

Honorable Bankrupts

Recent bankrupt notices in this section included that of the Hunter Land & Development Co., of Benton, who have liabilities of $775,000 and resources of $1,258,000, consisting principally of land and land securities. The Hunter family is one of the oldest and most honorable in Southeast Missouri. Their bankruptcy is not due to plunging, riotous living or speculation, but to the deflation and collapse of agriculture and agricultural securities. This family, along with the Marshalls, Matthews, Heisserers, Stubblefields and others, were the pioneer land holding families in Southeast Missouri. Their reverses are reverses of the nations as well as of individuals. They all have the best wishes of those familiar with the true situation in this district and no disgrace is connected with their failures. —Chaffee Signal.

They Serve It Strong In Illmo

Pink Limbaugh, in the Jackson Cash-Book says, "two bottles fixed him". If he would drop around Illmo he would find that a half bottle would fix him.—Illmo Jimplicute.

Yea verily, and if he happened to tackle Sikeston for one of his fixin's he would probably be fined twice in one evening.

Miss Barbara Beck returned from Columbia, Sunday morning.

Mrs. M. M. Beck was called to St. Louis Sunday to be at the bedside of her mother who is ill.

S. P. Loebe and daughter, Miss Dorothy, of Charleston, were visitors to Sikeston, Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Dave Thompson of Caruthersville were guests of Mr and Mrs. J. L. Matthews, Sunday.

FOOTBALL STAR IN HOSPITAL

Frank Case, Jr., star football player of Poplar Bluff high school, was taken to the Lucy Lee Hospital Saturday evening in a very critical condition. Infection developed from what appeared at first to be a minor bruise on one of his legs, has complicated matters greatly and doctors have expressed concern over his condition.

Mrs. Randol Wilson will entertain the Tuesday Bridge Club Tuesday afternoon.

Mrs. A. W. Wylie returned Saturday from a very pleasant visit of two weeks with her children in St. Louis.

This store will be open nights all this week to accommodate Christmas Shoppers. We are showing a splendid line of Gifts for Men and Ladies as well as our Large Toy Department for Children.

THE BUCKNER RAGSDALE Co

Sikeston, Missouri

The Christmas Store

Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Slack went to St. Louis Sunday for a visit.

Miss Edna Mount returned to her home from Columbia, Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Al Dailey will occupy the McGee property on North Ranney street the first of the year.

Ralph Anderson left for St. Louis Thursday. He will visit with his family in Jacksonville, Ill., while away.

The ladies of the Catholic church will have a Lotto party at the home of Mrs. Antone Meiderhoff Wednesday afternoon.

Mesdames Wm. Payne, N. C. Watkins and C. L. Blanton and C. L. Blanton, Jr., were dinner guests of Dr. and Mrs. B. F. Blanton Sunday.

OPPOSE TEN PER CENT VALUATION INCREASE

Benton, December 12.—The Scott Counyt Board of Equalization and a delegation of farmers and land owners of the county will go to Jefferson City, December 17 to appear before the State Board of Equalization and the Missouri Tax Commission for a hearing on land assessment valuaiotns for tax purposes in Scott County.

If an additional 10 per cent is added to present valuation of the county's land, as the State Board of Equalization at Jefferson City recommended earlier this year, it will give Scott County land an increased assessment valuation of $900,000. The Scott County Board and land owners do not want to recognize the higher valuation.

Members of the county Board of Equalization are Anton Legrand, J. W. Heeb, and Geo. Buchanan. Judges of the County Court: J. S. Smith, County Clerk and Geo. Bean, Assessor.

WOMAN'S CLUB MEETING

The Woman's Club will meet with Mrs. E. E. Hudson Tuesday afternoon. Miss Maude Herring will be leader for the afternoon.

'WET COTTON BRINGS LOW PRICES'—GINNERS

Local cotton ginners, buyers and brokers have issued a warning to growers in a paid advertisement to the effect that wet cotton will cause a sharp decline in prices. The price was dropped as much as one cent a pound in nearby towns last Saturday for this cause alone.

The ginners point out that it is practically impossible to dry out cotton if it is snapped while wet. It cannot be ginned profitably while in this condition and the seed will rot, making it worthless. The only alternative left is to depress the price, because a bad sample means a very low grade bale. "Let it dry out on the stalk" is the sum and substance of their warning.

One farmer from a neighboring town brought in a large load of hulls and tried to sell it at one of the local gins for snapped cotton. It was bo't at a very low price. Another load of soaked cotton brought only two cents a pound.

The local buyers point out that they have made an effort to keep the price as high or higher here as any other gin in the vicinity; but if wet cotton continues to come in, they will be forced to lower the price accordingly.

The Standard, $1.50 per year.

C. P. COLEMAN FILES ROBBERY CHARGES AGAINST FOUR

C. P. Coleman, whose 'farm", two miles west of East Prairie, was raided last Tuesday by New Madrid County officers, entered a charge of highway robbery last Saturday evening against Malcolm and Tom Monan, Charlie Henson and "Happy" Cunningham. Coleman stated that he had been held up and robbed of $140 in cash and a gold watch Friday night.

New Madrid County officers made the arrests and the trial was set for Thursday, December 20, before Justice of the Peace, D. A. Childs at Matthews.

FAULKNER BADLY BURNED BY BATTERY ACID SUNDAY

Herman Faulkner, bus driver for the Gregory lines, was severly burned about the eyes and face Sunday morning, when a battery on his bus exploded while he was working about the machine.

The accident happened in St. Louis, and he is confined in a hospital there, according to word received at the local Union Bus Station. No other details were given.

LEWIS CARR LIKES THE ARMY

A letter was received from Private Lewis R. Carr, Troop B, 13th Cavalry, Fort Riley, Kansas, in which he states that he likes the Regular Army fine.

Carr also says that the mess is fine. "There are six large tables and china is used instead fo the mess kit. When a dish is empty, a waiter picks it up and refills it instantly and everybody gets all they want to eat".

At Fort Riley is located the Cavalry School and there is opportunity offered the enlisted men to take courses that will benefit them in the Service or prepare them with an occupation in civil life.

Many ex-service men from Sikeston will recall their service at that place while with the 89th or 10th Divisions ten years ago.

Carr expresses the hope that some of his friends will join the 13th and that he can help put them over the jumps.

The 13th Cavalry was organized in 1901, participated in the Border troubles, and has been stationed in the stone barracks at Fort Riley for the last few years.

BEING DRUNK DRAWS $30 FINE

George Holly, arrested Sunday evening on the charge of being drunk and disturbing the peace, pleaded guilty in Judge Myer's Court the same day, and was fined a total of $30.

Dear Santa:
I want a buggy and I want a cabinet and a little doll, and a hat.
ROZELLA HUBBARD.

Gareville, Ill.,
Dear Santa Claus:
Please bring me a wagon and a ball, gun and a tool chest. I am a little boy thre eyears old. Please, Santa don't forget me.
BOBBY WEBB.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Brady of Camden, Ark., arrived in this city Sunday night to visit with Mrs. Brady's relatives until after the holidays.

Sam Brady, here from Camden, Ark., says 'Firefly" drew a crowded house in that city and everyone was pleased with the operetta.

Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Sauer and son, Ben Frank, of Glandale, Calif., who have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Sheppard, went to Jackson, Sunday, to visit with friends and relatives until after Christmas.

They came, they saw, they bought In fact, they actually carried the merchandise away in loads. Do you know where? Do you know why? At Pinnell's Store Company's Clearance Sale, which is now going on. Talk about prices, just come and see and we are sure you will spend your money.

GIVES LIFE HISTORY OF COMPOSER FRIML

Anent the coming of the season's musical event, "The Firefly", there is much local interest manifest in the author and composer, who has given us such world renown successes as "Rose Marie", "Firefly", "The Vagabond King", "The Three Musketeers", and other equally prominent.

Friml's rise to eminence as one of the foremost modern composers had its beginning in a humble home in Prague, Bohemia, in 1895, where the boy of 18 years, whose father worked in a bakery, flashed out his first original compositions on an accordion—music so inspiring that it tempted his father to buy him a cheap melodeon with the scanty funds which he and his wife had saved for their winter's supply of wood. When the father trundled the melodeon home on a wheelbarrow, Friml's mother threatened to smash it and burn it in place of the fuel so badly needed. She had no patience with the lad's muscial ambitions, but his father stood by him, and the owner of the bakery, after hearing the boy play, advanced the money to give him a course in the Prague conservatory.

Friml had as schoolmates Anton Dvork, composer of the "New World Symphony", a struggling lad like himself, and Jan Kubelik. These three worked together for six or seven years studying, composing, playing, earning a little money now and then by sem-amateur appearances. Finally, a local manager happened to hear them and started Friml and Kubelik on a concert tour, which was subsequently repeated for five successive seasons, (1901-1906). They trouped through the little towns of central Europe, half the time without enough to eat. Finally they got to Berlin and made a success. London followed, and it was there that Daniel Frohman heard them and signed them for a tour of American cities, where fame and fortune awaited them.

In rapid succession Friml produced "Katinka", (1915), "You're In Love", "The Blue Kitten", "Tumble Inn" and the brilliant operetta, "Firefly". His latest triumphs are "The Vagabond King" and "Rose Marie".

The Valentine Company presents "Firefly" in its entirety, just as given at the Empire Theatre, New York, by the Hammerstein Company, at the Malone Theatre Thursday, December 20th. Seats on sale at Dudley's.

ILLNESS OF LASLEY HALTS CHAFFEE MURDER CASE

Jackson, Mo., December 15.—After being advised that Coy Lasley was so ill that he would be unable to testify, Judge E. M. Dearing in Circuit Court here Friday ordered a mistrial in the hearing of Lasley, who is charged with complicity in the slaying 13 months ago at Chaffee of B. M. Hargett, a non-union Frisco railway brakeman.

The jury, which was impaneled on Wednesday, was finally discharged at 1:30 o'clock, after a recess of several hours during which Judge Dearing heard physicians' report on Lasley's condition.

Dr. D. G. Seibert, who with Dr. D. I. L. Seabaugh examined the defendant, said that Lasley is suffering from tuberculosis and that apparently he had sustained a nervous collapse. The tuberculosis is in advanced stage, the physician said.

AUXILIARY MEETING

The Auxiliary will meet Wednesday with Mrs. W. A. Anthony. All members are urged to be present.

Christmas Tree Entertainment

The Primary Department of the Baptist Church will have their Christmas tree and program at the church Friday afternoon. The mothers are cordially invited to come to this entertainment.



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SANTA CLAUS LETTERS

Dear Santa:

I am a little boy 6 years old and go to school. Am in the 2nd grade. I want you to please bring me a watch, a wheel barrow, a gun and any kind of clothes you think I need. There are six other children in our family besides lots other little children. Please don't forget anyone. I'll be a good boy.

Your friend,
CHAS. JOHNSON.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a good little boy. I am 8 years old. Well, I will tell you what I want for Xmas. I want a pair of boots, a bus and a toy airplane. Do not forget my sister. She's 13 years olds.

Dear Santa Cluas:

I have been a good girl. I am asking you to bring me a new dress, a raincoat, cap and umbrella, candy, nuts, oranges, apples, a story book and a large doll. I go to the Hunter School. My teacher is Mrs. Ancell.

Your friend,
RUBY MASON

Dear Santa:

I am writing to tell you what I want. I am 10 years old, and am in the sixth grade. I want a wrist watch and a new dress and a story book. I go to Hunter School. I do not want you to forget my brother, sister, father and mother. Don't forget the little orphan children who have no mother or father. I have been a good little girl.

OLIVE TURNER

Dear Santa:

I am a little girl 9 years old. I am sending you a letter to tell you what I want for Xmas. I want a new pair of slippers and stockings and a doll, and any other things I need. Don't forget my sister and brother and the other little children. Be sure to come to our school and bring my playmates something. I go to Hunter School. My teacher is Mrs. Ancell.

SARAH EVELYN JOHNSON

Dear Santa:

I am a girl 11 years old and I am going to tell you what I want for Xmas. I want a doll and a pair of slippers and a pair of stockings and a story book and anything that you think I need. Don't forget my sisters and brothers and don't forget my mother and father and the little orphan children. I will be a good girl.

ELIZABETH GAIL JOHNSON

Dear Santa:

I am a litlte girl. I am going to tell you what I want for Xmas. I want a box of colors, a drawing book, a doll and a pair of stockings and anything else you think I need. Please don't forget my little brothers and sisters and my father and mother and also the little orphan children who have no parents.

LOLA ELIZABETH WYATT.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl. I live out in the country north of Sikeston. I am writing a letter to you to let you know what I want for Christmas. I want a wrist watch, a new dress, apples, oranges, candy and all kinds of nuts. I think Xmas is the best holiday of the year because it is Christ's birthday. Please don't forget mother, father, brother and sister.

Your little friend,
JOHNSY TURNER.

Dear Santa:

I am writing a letter to you to let you know what I want for Xmas. I want a doll, doll bed, a new hat, nuts and candy. Please don't forget mother and father.

Your little frined,
DELLA MINYON TURNER.

Dear Santa:

I have been good and want an automobile, cap gun and don't forget my brother and sister. They will be pleased to get anything. I want you to bring some fruit, candy and nuts.

CLAUDE STUBBLEFIELD.

Dear Santa:

Please bring me a doll, doll buggy, a writing desk, dishes, hammer, table and chairs, stove, coal bucket a little cooking set. I am a little girl 5 years old.

EVELYN MASTERSON.

Dear Santa:

I am nine yaers old and am in the fifth grade. Will you please bring me a ring, a bathrobe, a set of dishes, some roller skates and a pair of house slipper? I have been a good girl. Please don't forget my friend, Herman Henry.

Your little friend,
BETTIE LOU SIMPSON.

P. S.: Don't forget some candy and nuts.

Blodgett, Mo.

Dear Sir:

Please send me something for Xmas and remember my two little sisters, one is 8 years old and the other one is 3. We will thank you for anything you give us, because we need help. My age is 12 years old.

WEATHERBY THOMPSON.

Blodgett, Mo.

Dear Santa:

I have been a good girl and I want you to please send me a coat, shoes, candy, fruit and nuts. And don't forget my two sisters and three brothers.

ROBERTIA BCLIAR.

Dear Santa:

Please bring me a little wagon my size as I have never received a present from you.

Your little friend,
ALFRED DOBBS.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl, 8 years old and in the fourth grade at school. I have tried to be good this year, so please bring me a nice doll, a pair of skates, a nice fountain pen, and a little sewing machine, and plenty of candy, fruits and nuts. I hope I haven't asked for too much for I want you to have plenty of toys to give to other little children. I also have a little sisters, so be sure and don't overlook her. I am expecting you to be at our Xmas tree, so be sure and come.

Your little friend,
OVEIDA BOARDMAN.

Dear Santa:

I will write you what I want. I prefer a punching bag and a pair of gloves so I may make a man out of myself. Remember all children.

MILTON D. MOORE.

Will you please think of me this year. I am 3 years old and will be glad for a wagon I can ride in. Please think of other children.

Yours,
FRANKLIN DOBBS.

Matthews, Mo.

I am a good little boy and I am in the 12th grade. I take typewriting and can write sixty words a minute for fifteen minutes. I want you to bring me a portable typewriter, royal blue color. And a nice looking little girl, who treats me like they ought to. Please Santa, don't forget Leola, Lester and Genevieve, too.

Your lovingly ever,
Wm. "KNUTE" ROBERTS.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want you to bring me a set of dishes, some aluminum cooking utensils, a doll, a hat box for my dollie's clothes; a little lamp and please bring me lots of candy, apples, oranges and nuts.

Your little friend,
ALFREDA LYNN.

Dear Santa:

Bring me a football, some toy cars, automatic cap pistol, lots of caps for my pistol, a stopper gun, candy, apples, oranges and nuts. I will be pleased with anything else you want to bring me.

Your friend,
HAROLD LYNN.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want you to be sure and remember me and all my friends this year. I don't want much, Santa. Just a big walking and talking doll, sweater, sewing set, tea set, new socks, candy, mixed nuts and fruit.

I live with my grandmother and sister here. My daddy lives in Chicago and he said that he knew that Santa would be sure and bring me the doll I want and everything. I am seven years old and I am in the second grade. I try to be good all the time.

Your little friend,
MONTEEN McCANN.

Blodgett, Mo.

Dear Santa:

I am a little colored girl and I learn that you had some presents and I want a dress and a doll and a pair of shoes, No. 5, and a hat, a pair of silk stockings and some fruits, candy and nuts, a coat and doll bed, a stove, a ring and a pair of gloves and a comb, and some beads.

RUTH BELL

Blodgett, Mo.,

I am a little colored boy and I heard that you had some goods and I want a pair of shoes, No. 6 and a pair of pants. My age is 14 and I want a pair of stockings, a cap and a blue shirt and some fruits, candy, a color box, a coat, sweater, a Sunday shirt, and my father says he wants a pair of pants, shoes, and sox. Please remember us, Santa.

HENRY BELL

Blodgett, Mo.,

Dear Santa Claus:

I saw in the paper where you were advertising your candy, send me a box of it please. I am a little colored boy, age 12. Send me a overcoat, shoes, a pair of socks, some nuts and fruit, a cap and I see where if I write Santa I will get what I want. Dear Santa please send me what I want as it is in my letter all I want.

MICHOR BELL.

Dear Santa:

Send me a pair of trousers, a cap, sweater, shirt, tie, pair socks, candy, fruits, nuts and a football. I am in the 8th grade and trying to go to high school now if I can get ready. I am a colored boy at the age of 16 years Santa. Please remember me and my brothers and sisters that are writing you, too. It's a large family of us, so this is all for this year, Santa.

Yours,
THOMAS N. BELL.

Blodgett, Mo.

Dear Santa:

I been reading what other children are asking you for in Mr. Blanton's paper. I think it is so nice of him to tell you what we want and need. I didn't have no stamp last week, so I borrowed one, as it rained and we can't get to work on the account of rain. But Santa I am a colored boy, age 13, in the third grade. I need a hat and coat, a pair of shoes. I wear a 5 and I want some stockings so I can go to school and my brother Hunter, he needs shoes, too. He wears a ... He is 15 years old, and my little brother, Lacy, is 8 years old. He wears abzout a ten and a half. Now Santa, don't forget us this time. We lost all our crop and our father and mother are sure enough poor, for there are ten of us in the family. My sister Martha said to bring her a doll and stove, bed and fruits and candy and nuts and my little sister will be glad to take whatever you bring her, but Santa if you please, send our shoes Saturday before Xmas for I need them now. My teacher will have a program the 24th and I want to go. Write me if you will send them. I meet the mail. I am good, but awful poor. I hope I am not asking too much, Santa. Goodbye.

WILLIE ROBERTSON.

Men will take the liberty to tell you how to run a paper, when they would not think of hinting to the merchant how to conduct his store or tell the preacher what to preach. They pay money for schools, and don't know whether Jimmy is learning the rule of three or how to hold a cigarette gracefully, but when it comes to the newspaper, there's where they all get off. During the past week a friend wanted to know why we did not try to run a paper a little more along the lines of how Christ would run a paper. We don't know how that would be. In the first place, if Christ was back on earth we don't believe that he would go into the newspaper business at all. There is not an editor or a preacher that could tell the whole truth for thirty days and stay in the community in which he lived. If our friend doubts this statement, let him try telling the absolute truth just one week and see where he lights.—Ex.

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Ocean-hoppers and good-will cementers are requested not to come to New York for welcomes until further notice. Wall Street cannot spare any ticker tape just now.—The New Yorker.

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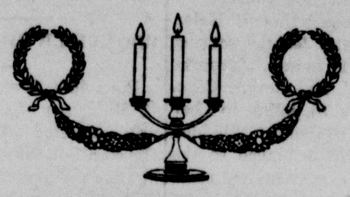


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Christmas gifts are sometimes very hard to choose, especially when the choosing is left until the last two or three days before Christmas. And even when a lot of time and trouble are spent in choosing them, the gifts are often very soon forgotten—not because those who receive them are ungrateful but because the gifts really serve no useful purpose. This year, in place of all the small, quickly forgotton gifts, why not give a Silver Anniversary Buick for Christmas? A gift that will stir the heart and that will bring months and months of health and happiness.

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SHERIFF GRISSOM DESTROYS STILL

Officers Dump 100 Gallons of Xmas Cheer In Raid Near Matthews

Tuesday morning Sheriff Grissom and deputies J. J. Greer and Sam Stevens with a Constable from East Prairie raided the P. T. Coleman place about six miles east of Matthews and got 100 gallons of whiskey, destroyed a distill and 1400 gallons of mash.

Sheriff Grissom drove up to the place, deputy Stevens saw Coleman coming from the barn, so he walked out and started a conversation and Sheriff Grisson then crawled out of the car and they placed Coleman under arrest. The house and barn were searched and here they found one hundred gallons of whiskey. They then proceeded to the still where Dick Ward was found busying himself about getting ready to run off another batch. They were all loaded up and brought to Matthews where 30 gallons of whiskey was poured out.

The place had been giving the officers trouble for two years. Coleman demanded an immediate trial and was arraigned before 'Squire Chiles and was fined $200. Ward, was placed under bond and bound over to Circuit Court.

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RED CROSS FUND $944.58 IN COUNTY

Collections in Scott County during the annual Red Cross drive which ended officially Thanksgiving Day, amounted to $944.58. Memberships this year number 846, but several donations in excess of the usual $1 membership charge bring the total amount to over $900. Of this amount, $401.08 will be kept in the County for poor relief, according to Chairman Ned Matthews.

The memberships in Scott County towns follow: Sikeston 574, Morley 11, Benton 32, Commerce 13, Blodgett 26, Illmo, Fornfelt and Ancell 34, Chaffee 111, Oran 45.

$650 In Mississippi County

The total membership obtained from the annual Red Cross roll call for Mississippi County was 515. There were 492 annual memberships; 22 contributing memberships at $5, and one sustaining membership at $10. There were donations of $36.75, making a total of $648.75. Of this, $257.50 (the National Rde Cross gets 50 cents of every annual, contributing and sustaining membership) goes to the national organization and the remainder, $391.23, is retained by the local chapter.

SENSENBAUGH TELLS OF A TRACTOR THAT WAS "JINXED"

Arba Sensenbaugh, father of the two local Sensenbaugh brothers spent Saturday with the boys here. The elder Sensenbaugh is able to walk about again following a very unusual accident ten weeks ago. He was demonstrating a tractor at a Louisiana Fair when he slipped under the machine. He managed to squirm around and throw the machine out of reverse, and into forward. His action saved his life, but his right leg was severely injured.

Mr. Sensenbaugh jokes about the matter now, saying that particular tractor is "jinxed". Following the accident, the machine was loaded on a truck and was being hauled to a nearby city. The truck, canted over to one side on a slick road and turned the tractor up-side-down in the ditch. After making certain necessary repairs, the same tractor was sold to a farmer, and a negro was instructed how to run it. The colored farm hand plowed with the machine the first day, but when driving it into the barn, which was being used for a machine shed, the driver was stricken with stage fright or something and forgot how to throw out the clutch—the tractor rambled on and took the other side of the barn with it.

GOOD MUSIC FOR AMERICANS

In musical circles there has been a lot of fuss of late—a sort of bubbling or fuming over of clashing opinions in regard to whether or not our perfectly good English language lends itself properly to musical expression. The opponents of this astounding question aver with ercited emphasis, but with a straight face, that the physical organism with which a divine Providence endowed her children, limited this "organism" to the singing of the "beautiful liquid tones" of the Italian or French or Spanish tongues.

To anyone who is unbiased, the very idea is absurd! However, it is a decidedly live issue in this country, and one which would seem to demand the respectful attention of everyone who is interested in our musical education, and this means, it seems to me, the every American mother and father should be interested in the subject for their children's sake. American musical expression needs encouraging. It needs to be lifted out of the school of jazz—it needs to be awakened to its larger possibilities. And anything that will help to accomplish this good purpose is helpful and good.

American Opera for Americans is our slogan—our best loved operas, adequately presented in English and by our own people is a right idea. Mrs. Rockefeller McCormick sponsored a special performance in Chicago last winter, of 'Carmen" in English. The principal parts were all sung by 100 per cent Americans, although the supporting company belong to a Spanish organization. It was an experiment—yes, but what brilliant affair! Every critic in Chicago had to admit that it was not only a distinct success, but a most artistic and enjoyable performance. It was the first time in the writer's recollection that all of the husbands remained awake throughout the entire performance.

And now comes an American girl—May Valentine, with an all American Opera Company, singing in plain English, that loveliest of lovely operas—"Firefly"—by Rudolf Friml, author of the world famous "Rose Marie", "The Musketeers" and "The Vagabond King". Here is a company of wholesome, young, ambitious American artists, under Miss Valentine's direction, to stimulate this right idea—American Opera for Americans. What are you going to do about it? Are you going to support and encourage it by attending, or will you permit this splendid organization—this right idea—to pass through our city unnoticed, and afterwards learn of the opportunity you have missed?

'IT'S A GIRL" AT THE NONAN HOMESTEAD; BORN FRIDAY IN CAPE HOSPITAL

Girls have been known to cause certain men to change their plans, but the infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank (Pat) Nonan, really started changing plans early in life.

The story goes that "T" Wilson and Pat himself had picked out a perfectly good boy's name for the expected arrival, only to have their well-laid plans go on the rocks, when a young lady arrived on the scene about 2 a. m., Friday morning.

Mother and baby are doing fine in the St. Francis Hospital, Cape Girardeau.

Pat's idea of a good Irish joke was to 'rouse his brother engineer Wilson from sound sleep very early Friday morning to notify him that a change in names was imperative. Mr. and Mrs. Nonan now have four children, two boys and two girls.

FINAL TRIP FOR CAPE STEAMER UNTIL SPRING

Benton, December 14.—Capt. Leyhe and his Cape Girardeau steamer arrived at Commerce Friday afternoon in the final trip for the season, for the Eagle Packet Company, St. Louis to Commerce. The steamer has gone into winter headquarters at Paducah, Ky., and will stay there and be reconditioned for the Mardi Gras in New Orleans next February. Capt. Leyhe has been on the river for almost thirty years.

The usual trips will start from St. Louis to Commerce the latter part of February.

GUY WIRE STOPS JEWELL IN PURSUIT OF LAW VIOLATORS

Chickie Jewell was stopped short and a law violator in another car made his getaway about 9:30 p. m. Friday, when the Constable's car became ship-wrecked on a guy wire at the corner of Kingshighway and Center Streets. Jewell was chasing someone east on Center Street. The law violator turned South onto Kingshighway and Jewell, in attempting to head him off by cutting across in front of Ancell brothers' filling station, became stranded on the guy rod. A wrecker from Royer's garage affeeted a rescue, but the other person or persons escaped.

IT'S A GREAT LIFE

Running a newspaper is just like running a hotel only different. When a man goes into a hotel and finds something on the table which does not suit him, he does not get up and raise hades with the landlord and tell him to stop his darned old hotel. Well, hardly. He sets that dish on one side and wades into some of the many dishes that do suit him. It is different with some newspaper readers. They find an article occasionally that does not quite suit them exactly and without stopping to think it may please hundreds of other readser, make a grand stand play of their supreme asininity and hasten to stop their paper.—Bogard Dispatch.

Pointing Out Prosperity

A story is going the rounds that at a recent political meeting in Ozark County, just before the election, a Hoover speaker had just finished convincing the faithful that prosperity is here and closed his speech with a whoop. Just about that time one of the leading citizens of Gainesville jumped to his feet and asked the crowd to remain for a few minutes as they were going to sell a farm under a mortgage at the courthouse door.—Howell County Gazette.

Mill Employee Loses Little Finger

Kennett, December 14.—Bill Stafford, an employee of the Hemphill Lumber Co., who until Thursday operated one of the gang saws in the band mill, had the misfortune to lose the little finger of his left hand on Thursday afternoon, when he was caught in the friction of the machinery. When taken to town, the mangled member was dangling from the hand and the amputation was performed by Dr. Davis, assisted by Dr. Presnell.

SURE

'So your daughter is attending a co-ed college?" said the old friend.

"Yes", sighed the mother. "but I'm afraid most of the lessons she is learning are in the school of experience.—Cincinnati Enquirre.

An amateur gardener has succeeded in crossing cabbage with an onion. This adds another horror to the Christmas-gift cigar.—Punch.

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LOCAL NEWS FROM TANNER

Miss Buela Rogers visited her friend schoolmates, Thursday.

Eddie Conston and family are going to points in Arkansas to spend Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Hub Rodgers were shopping in Sikeston Saturday.

Mrs. Ruth Head was visiting her father at Crowder last week.

Lee Masters visited his son and daughter last Sunday.

Mr. Rodgers is troubled very much now by Maurin Latham.

Mr. and Mrs. Mrs. Willie Manley are visiting her mother, Christmas.

A. H. Hamlin is planning on a big Xmas. His son, Howard, and wife, Edna, daughter, Dessie and granddaughter, Leona, are coming down from St. Louis to spend Xmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Masters visited relatives in Sikeston Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ranom Sheery are the happy parents of a baby girl.

Miss Beula and Marvin Latham visited their sister and brother-in-law Sunday afternoon.

Miss Nadine Rodgers was shopping in Sikeston last Friday.

It is probable that the Democrats will not again take issue with such a strong combination as the full dinner-pail and the old oaken bucket.—Philadelphia Inquirer.

What has become of that fellow who was going to cancel his subscription to The Literary Digest because of the gross bias and inaccuracy of its straw vote?—Mesa (Ariz.) Journal-Tribune.

YOUNG FARMER IS KILLED INSTANTLY

Bloomfield, December 13.—"Butch" Frederick, aged 21, well-known young farmer of the north part of this county, is dead as the result of an accident several days ago. He was sawing wood with a small saw when a governor on a flywheel caught in one of his pockets, hurling him against the ground several times. Death was instantaneous. He had been married two months.

The winner of a prize offered by an Italian journal for an unpublished comedy was found to be in prison. On the other hand, many authors of published comedies are still at large.—Punch.

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After having watched a football game played on a 2-inch deep mud field, the editor of the King City Chronicle says if he was in school he'd go out for checkers or something like that.

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Looks like the steel trust and ship building corporations were going to get a big appropriation for a big navy, and it also looks like the farmers were going to get promises of relief. Maybe they'll get relieved of a few more farms.—Shelbina Democrat

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Jewish parents have it all over their Gentile brethren at this time of year. They are not worrying about what to give the children for Christmas. Neither are htey worrying about hog killing. And if they make yearly settlements among themselves that worry is also past for they are now in their new year.—Shelbina Democrat.

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Apologies are not frequently found nor encouraged in The Standard, but this one, we feel, is due the public of Sikeston, the Missouri Utilities Co., and the editor of The Herald. The Standard has made a feeble effort by running several hundred inches of news and not a few editorial paragraphs since early this summer to the effect that light rates should be rdeuced in Sikeston, and that Sikesto might follow advantageously the lead of other progressive communities in owning its own light plant. We see, however, in the current issue of The Herald that all due honors for receiving the promised rate reduction are due wholly to the said gentleman of the press. We feel sure that the Sikeston public will recall seeing in The Herald a great number of scathing editorial paragraphs denouncint fearlessly and courageously the high rates of the Missouri Utilities Company. Our memory fails us, but the apology is nevertheless rendered herewith.

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The report on the Road Fund makes it clear that pedestrian is not to blame for motor accidents. This should be a great solace to him as he whizzes along in the ambulance.—Punch.

AS I SEE IT

By I'm About Town

"Isn't it marvelous to live in this wonderful age of radios when just a turn of a tiny dial at any hour of the day or night will bring in"—static? With apologies to the Montgomery Ward "Home Makers" hour, last Friday.

It's the little trings in life that cause most of the grief, wars and so forth. This was graphically illustrated the other night when two certain parties were working crossword puzzles. The young lady in question asked "What is a female sheep?", and the gentleman answere briefly 'ewe".

We won't mention any names, but the following story comes to us pretty straight. It seems as though a teacher was trying to put over the meaning of the word "slowly". To illustrate her definition, she walked across the room. Imagine her embarrassment when she asked a small youth how she had just walked and he answered, "bow-legged".

Well Chritma will $oon be here and old $anta Clau$ will again bring cheer into many homes in iketon and elsewhere. The New Year celebration$ will be in order and the payment of the bill$.

Which reminds us that theoretically the girls will have only a few more weeks in which to enjoy the privileges of Leap Year.

It Depends On Where You Look

I saw a young woman the other day who has been married four or five years and she was trying to get the baby to sleep and at the same time trying to settle a quarrel between her two old children. But finally she got the baby to sleep and the other children got in a good humor with each other and said their prayers at their mother's knee, and toddled off to bed. After they were all gone, the young mother said: "Such experiences as a mother has with three children will cause a girl to take her head out of the clouds". And somehow I thought with the remembrance of the two little prattlers lisping "Dod bless mamma", might put the head into higher clouds than many of us know anything about.—Omar Grey in Sturgeon Leader.

Our good friend and kinsman Edgar P. Blanton, of the Shelbina Democrat, points out in a recent editorial that the home town light plant was able to pay off some $20,000 in bonds, but htat a fellow citizen pointed out that the earnings were only $10,000. That's high finance alright, and we don't claim to be able to figure out just how it was done, but we would like to claim as much for our own city.

THIS WEEK IN MO. HISTORY

By Floyd C. Shoemaker, Sec'y.

Two hundred and forty years ago, December 18, 1638, the first white man entered the Missouri River and came up as far as the mouth of the Osage River.

He was Baron Louis-Armand de LaHontan, a French-Canadian soldier stationed at Montreal, who came down the Mississippi and up the Missouri River to the mouth of the Osage in the face of grave danger. Indian attacks, starvation and desertion of his men threatened him, but he did not falter.

LaHontan wrote a series of letters regarding his voyages which were published in two volumes on his return to France in 1703. The sixteenth letter of the series tells of his visit to the Missouri river as follows:

".....I took leave of 'em the next day, which was the 13th, and in four days time, by the helf of the Current and our Oars, made the River of the Missouris" (The Missouris were a tribe of Indians for whom the river was sometimes named and who lived near its mouth.) "This done, we ran up against the stream of that river, which was at least as rapid as the Mississippi was at that time and arriv'd on the 18th, at the first village of the Missouris, where I stopped to make the people some presents that procur'd me a hundred Turkeys, with which the people are wonderfully well stocked. After that we row'd hard against the stream, and landed next night near the second village".

A description of the village followed, then he continued ".....To be short, we re-embark'd that same day about two o'clock in the afternoon, and rwo'd about four leagues up the river, where we made the river of the Osages, and encamp'd by its mouth". (Osage here is believed to be the present Osage river).

It was while camped here that LaHontan says an accidental discharge of a gun sent attacking savage Indians to flight because they had never heard the report of a gun.

Historians do not agree on the truth of LaHontan's account, Houck, in his "History of Missouri" says, "The history of the voyages of LaHontan is generally considered entitled to little credence. Many of the statements with which he interlarded his narrative are undoubtedly pure fiction. Yet, it would be a mistake to reject his entire narrative, because certainly he saw much of the country and visited many of the Indian tribes then dwelling in the upper Mississippi valley. That he was on the Missouri river is evidenced by the fact that he mentions the various tribes that had their homes along this river when Bourgment and other French explorers afterwards visited this region".

LaHontan was born June 9, 1666 in LaHontan, France. His father died when he was eight years old and he inherited the title of LeBaron de LaHontan d'Esleich and a shattered estate. He was pledged from the cradle to militaryship, and as the third baron of the estate became a cadet in the famous Bourbon regiment. When three companies of French Marines were sent to America in 1683, Louis Armand, then seventeen years of age, was enrolled with them.

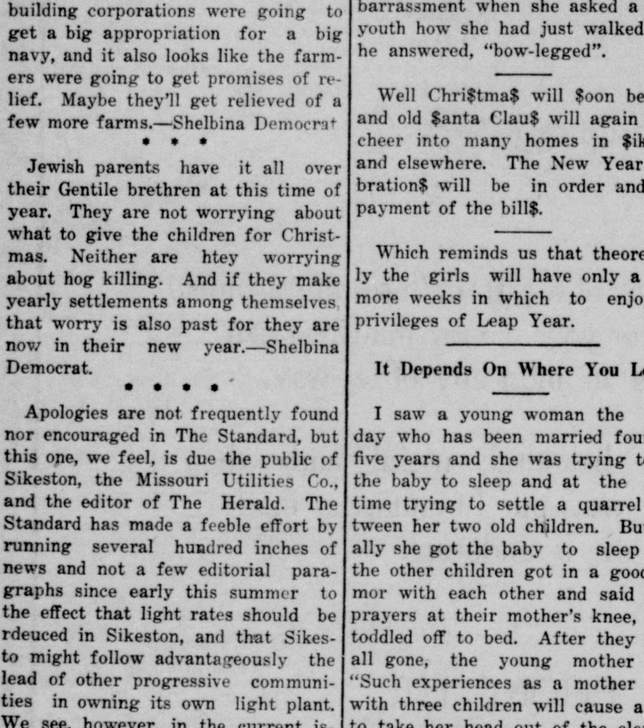
The legal status of his estate caused him to return to France after his voyages in America.

We're Going To Have Company

Now that the thieves have started moving us out by the truck load, there arises the old dispute about the advantages and disadvantages of a night watchman. The pros and cons seem equally divided and there seems no way of reaching a decision. Our hope is that the mud on the roads holds out until some action is taken, otherwise it is not improbable that some morning we will awake to find the town has been jacked up, put on wheels and hauled off to the Kansas City market.—Garden City Views.

We are having a damn sight of trouble with our dams. Not only does one break occasionally, but there is Boulder Dam which has, and is, causing Congress so much trouble, then Mrs. Willebrandt comes along and tells us our dam on the north against Canadian whiskey is leaking like a sieve. We note that Mr. Hoover is considering the possibility of transferring the prohibition enforcement from the Treasury Department to the Department of Justice, and in that event we can look to this esteemed layy to stop all the leaks on the north, as they will then come directly under her jurisdcition.—Jackson Cash Book.

We guess that just as soon as the Philadelphia police force gets thru arresting one another, the day's regular work commences.—Detroit News. Nature doubtless is grand, but it wasn't a very brilliant scheme to put most of the vitamines in things you don't like.—San Francisco Chronicle.



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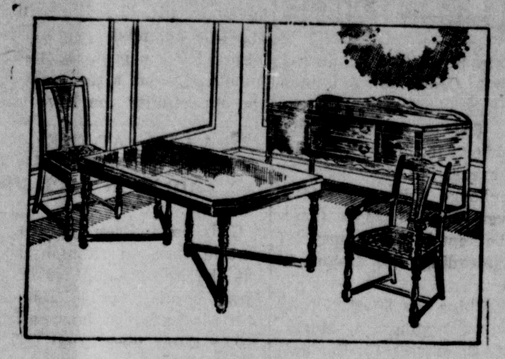
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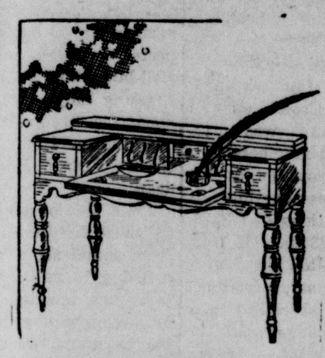
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THE CASE OF MRS. MILLER

Every newspaper in the country has produced columns of opinions on the recent life-time sentence meted out to Mrs. Etta Mae Miller under the Michigan habitual criminal law which automatically brings this penalty into play when a person has been convicted four times on charges of feloneis, and every newspaper seems to play up the 'medievalism", and "inustice" of the sentence.

Three States now have laws similar to the Michigan code, New York, Florida and Missouri, and the present case of the unfortunate Mrs. Miller, who is the mother of four living children, and the wife of a convicted bootlegger, is being foisted upon the people as an "injustice" of the rankest sort.

Perhaps it is, but there are questions involved which far transcend this one particular case. Mrs. Miller was convicted the fourth time for selling a few bottles of whiskey. Well and good, the prohibition law makes that act a felony and her conviction followed automatically. If that is an injustice, then let those who object, admit that prohibition is a failure, and not a felony. The law "clicks". It functions. It is one gratifying example of a law 'with teeth". Instead of allowing sympathy to rule, by amending the law to exempt certain crimes, make it apply in every State. If every bootlegger and every potential felon knew absolutely that he would spend the rest of his days in the work house or on a rock pile after the fourth offence, and that no mitigating influences, no appeals, no writs and no amendments to the law itself could save him, then we maudlin American sympathy howlers expect crime to decrease.

North Kansas City—Kansas City Power & Light Co. rejuvenates power plant here.

You might not believe it, but in some of our cities poverty is so great the people can't buy gasoline to drive to the soup lines up-town.—Council Bluffs Nonpareil.

S. P. Loebe not only has a newspaper monopoly at Charleston, but will soon be the only citizen to whom the city is indebted. Charleston' finances have been in bad shape for some time and judgments have been secured against it in a number of instances. Mr. Loebe through his public spirit agreed to take up the judgments and pay all outstanding bills at a moderate discount and to hold them until they can be redeemed by the city.—Jackson Cash-Book.

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CHAPTER X

Confessions

Trent was conscious of a certain restraint between him and Mademoiselle Dupin during the first few miles of the journey. She had made up her mind that she would not add to the many obligations she was under. And yet to broach the subject seemed ungracious. But at the apartment they were so rarely alone that here, aboard, was the only opportunity.

For his part, Anthony Trent was thinking how little he knew of this beautiful and accomplished woman and how much more he desired to learn. What, he wondered, was her early history?

The launch was a fast one, and soon overhauled a liner going through the harbor shipping at half speed.

"It's the Brabant," he exclaimed, and told the steersman to go as close to her as he could.

"I came over in her," Trent told the girl at his side, "and met a very decent sort of purser aboard. I've an idea I can use him if he is still there. She should be back here in exactly twenty days. I had a fearful quarter of an hour on that staunch ship when I left Dover." He told her of his interview with the inquiring purser.

"The tragedy with people like us," she said gravely, "is that there must always be the fear of such interviews."

"I know," he answered, a little gloomily. "That very thought is never far away from me. I can never be certain that some one hasn't devoted just as much thought to getting me as I have given to evading capture. I mistrust people on whom I ought to rely. I am invariably looking for motives. Sometimes I think I have slain the ability to enjoy people."

"Am I not to be trusted?" she asked.

"You are different," he answered. "You can understand because you have suffered too. That is why you and I should always be good friends. I know you will never go back to the old life. Yet how many men who have lived better lives than I could you convince? Collective prejudices send innumerable men back to the crime they want to escape."

"Didn't you enjoy the Grant house party?" she asked, after a silence.

"Not at first. In the beginning I felt every man was watching me suspiciously."

"We pay," she sighed, "whether in prison or out of it."

"All this isn't very cheerful, is it?" he returned. "I suggested this trip to keep you in good spirits, and we both drift into morbid moods."

He reached for his glasses.

"What do you see?" she asked.

"The good ship La Belle Alliance in the offing."

A number of small craft passed and repassed the stranded vessel. She lay pathetically on her side, a mass of rusty red and faded black. Apparently none of the Grant household was on the private beach.

"I wonder if Mrs. Grant will let me go back," said Mademoiselle Dupin when the launch was headed for home.

"Surely you don't want to go back?" he cried.

"Why not?" she answered. "I cannot remain where I am any longer. I shall never cease to be grateful for what you have done. Some day I may be able to repay you. I can never forget what you rescued me from. But you must see I cannot be a burden to you any longer.

"Burden!" he scoffed. "That is absurd." Nevertheless he saw that nothing would alter her. "If you must go I cannot hold you back, but please don't go back to Deal yet. That might upset my plans and bring suspicion on you. Do me this favor. Stay on with Mrs. Kinney until my scheme for Sutton succeeds or fails. You are putting me under obligations. He was morose and gloomy till you went there, and I want him at his best. Don't go back on me now," he pleaded.

"If I can believe I am helping you it is different," she said, "but I only suspect more of your generosity."

"Sometimes you have looked at me," she said, "as though you wanted to know about my past. I have felt it as strongly as if you had spoken."

"You cannot imagine how much I have wanted to know," he returned, "but I haven't any right to ask."

"I think I should like you to know. My father was Russian and my mother French. They died when I was quite young. For years I was at a convent in Paris. My guardian was a Colonel Ogilvie, who had been for a time in the Russian service with my father. There was very little money left from the estate. My father was suspected of liberal tendencies and his lands confiscated. Yet, when I joined Colonel Ogilvie and his friend Count von Schonbrunn in Cannes, it was given out I was an heiress. I was not yet eighteen. They took a splendid house for me, which was in reality a gambling establishment, although I did not know it. There is much money among the visitors to Cannes, Nice and Pau, and there was a vast profit in the house. The police broke up the establishment at Cannes. So we moved to Nice, where there was a scandal about crooked play. And so on in other cities. You may believe me or not, but I was kept in ignorance of this. I was convent-bred and had been taught obedience to my guardian. I married Count de Beaulieu before I was twenty. He thought I was an heiress, and my guardian and Von Schonbrunn thought he was the head of the rich branch of his family. Instead, he had nothing. When it all came to light, he left me. I had news of his death while you were staying in Old Westbury."

"I remember," Trent said. It was this death which had seemed to clear the way for her marriage to Captain Monmouth, the man who had repudiated her so strangely.

"After he left me, and I found out what sort of a man my guardian was, I joined the rest of them, knowing full well their way of life. I think I wanted to avenge myself on all men. I was in London for a season and then came here. You know what I was here. That is all."

Her story was very much what Trent had imagined it to be. Certainly she had more excuse for her career than he had for his He believed her wholly when she said she had been for so long in ignorance of the men surrounding her.

"Are there any people over here, men and women with whom you were associated in the Riviera, who might recognize you?"

"That I cannot say. Colonel Ogilvie was killed in the war and so was Von Schonbrunn. The man who was my secretary in Old Westbury—you remember Edward Conway?—he is dead. Madame de Berlaymont, who was with me in Long Island, she is in prison in England for a long term of years. No, I think I am in no great danger, except from your police."

Lying back in her chair she stared out to sea. Trent wondered what of the past she was trying to capture—or forget. He would have given a great deal to know how much of her heart was filled by the two men she had loved. Probably she was a romantic girl when she met de Beaulieu and married him. The feeling had almost certainly been genuine. And then there was the ex-officer of lancers, Captain Monmouth. Perhaps in the bitterness of finding his pride greater than his love, she had put aside all thought of him.

"There were statements about you in the papers yesterday," she said, after a long interval of silence, "which interested me very much. There was a reference to a certain lady of rank to whom it was said you had been engaged."

"It was true," he said quietly. "Some day I may have the opportunity to tell you of the extraordinary circumstances which took me to her home."

"It was said that she died very suddenly."

"Yes," he said slowly, "that is true. I have never spoken of it before. I have never felt able to. Looking back it seems like a dream. You know what I had been. Well, I was taken into the heart of one of those old, exclusive English families who do not welcome strangers or open their gates to wealth. It was there I felt the agony of being trusted when I was not worthy. One can't fight off love. I tried to, but it was too big for that. I was safe there. I felt like a battered ship which has come unexpectedly into a sheltered harbor. Because I was a guest in such a home none suspected me or even inquired. Yet, my own country folk did, because I did not grace the pages of their social registers. . . . I wonder if anyone will be able to understand me when I say that I was thankful she died before she could find out the life I had led. A score of times I wanted to tell her, but she wouldn't listen. She thought I wanted to confess some conventional indiscretions such as gambling debts. It was not in her heart to believe the man she loved had been a professional thief. I do not mean she was too proud to believe that. Rather it was her love which had cast out all doubt.

"We were to have been married in a few weeks. We were riding together. She was a very daring horsewoman and put her hunter at one of those granite boundary fences they have in Cornwall. She had taken the leap before, but perhaps this was the moment when her beautiful life was marked to end. I am not a religious man, mademoiselle; I have been one who sneered and disbelieved; it was not any fear of hell that made me give up the old ways. It was to keep faith with her."

The woman listening said no word. She could see that to such a silent, reserved man as this the relief of being able to speak of what he had kept hidden was very great.

"And yet I am glad that she died then, for it would have broken her heart to find me out. Her father had great properties in Australia, and we were to have gone there to live. I think he knew there were secrets I dared not tell him. He was a very wise and sad old man. Sometimes I think we might have lived without the shadow falling on us. But this meeting of yours with Pierre Redlich reminds me of what might have been in store. I do not think I could ever have had complete rest of mind. There is a high sense of honor which will not permit itself to be betrayed even by love. . . . I realized that as I went into the church, my head bowed as a mourner, and saw weeping men and women there instead of wedding guests."

He did not speak again until the launch came to its dock.

At the door of the Central Park apartment he left her. "I don't feel like talking to them tonight. You have been very good to listen to me."

He pressed her hand and turned away abruptly.

CHAPTER XI

Trent Becomes a Producer.

David More returned to Fort Lee with a list of five houses which might suit his employer.

One of the five seemed to be exactly what Trent required. It was an old frame mansion of sixteen rooms standing in twenty acres of land. The rental was low because the absentee owner had allowed his property to get into a bad condition of repair.

To the west the gardens came to an end on a bluff, about twenty feet above the railroad. An iron bridge crossed the tracks from this bluff. There was a flight of steep steps, with a padlocked gate at the bottom which descended to the flat land by the Hudson side.

A feature of the place which seemed to impress Trent was a flower garden, a hundred yards square. In the center of this waste was an old ruined summer house. From this nothing of the house or road could be seen. In front of it was the broad river.

"I like privacy," Trent told the agent.

"You'll surely get it here," said the man. "You are not overlooked and you've no near neighbors. There's iron gates to keep the crowd out, and there's one of the few outlets to the river which is legally yours to use. I haven't a more desirable property on my lists. If you want to buy I can make you a very low price."

"I might even do that in six months' time," Trent said. The situation was delightful, and he had long been thinking about giving up city life. It would be a pleasing jest to make his home within a few miles of the famous prison.

It was plain the agent was impressed by Trent's way of doing business.

"I'd like to have you in this part of the world," he said. "Take it from me, this side of the river can't be beat for beauty and convenience. As to train service, there isn's such a good one anywheres."

Trent gave him a check to stem the flood of eloquence which was let loose.

"Are you able to leave the store for a couple of weeks, maybe more?" Trent asked More. "I want you to come here and have the place cleaned up. I don't want you to have your family here. You can get what you want at the local stores. Don't encourage tradesmen to call. Is that clear?"

"Absolutely," said More. "I'll keep 'em off, Mr. Trent. A little exercise won't hurt me now I'm all rested up."

"I shall be back in a few days. I want you to get here before noon tomorrow."

A quality Trent appreciated in David More was his lack of inquisitiveness. None of the unusual errands upon which Trent had sent him elicited surprise. His not to reason why.

It was three o'clock when Trent stopped before the brown-stone house where Clarke lived.

"Clarke," he said, after a short conversation, "did anybody ever tell you you looked like a cop?"

"It's been a godsend to me," he was told. "I could get through the police lines any time at all just on my face. Having to lick a bunch of cub reporters into shape began it. Why?"

There was a gravity about Trent's manner which he had not before revealed. "Have I ever asked a favor of you?" he demanded.

Clarke looked at him puzzled. Trent had done him innumerable good turns, as this very house proved. He had asked nothing in the way of repayment.



"I Shall Be in the Soup," Trent Confessed.

"No, son, you never have, and you could have asked quite a plenty What's on your mind now?"

Anthony Trent talked to him for ten minutes. Clarke interrupted him now and then with a pertinent question.

"Will I do it?" he said, when Trent finished. "Boy, you know d—n well I will."

"That's a tremendous relief," Trent said gratefully. "When everything is ready I'll phone you and send a car for you. Tell your wife you are touring with me if she seems anxious."

"You've got a hard assignment ahead," Clarke commented, "and there's a raft of difficulties to overcome. Suppose he doesn't come through?"

"I shall be in the soup," Trent confessed. "I'm not disguising the fact that this isn't exactly legal, but I feel we can pull it off. I wouldn't ask you and the others if I thought there was much danger. I'll admit the risk, though."

"He ought to be a tough bird," Clarke commented. "He got away with it all right at the trial."

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On the face of it, the Weems comedy seemed dead loss. But Trent had ideas concerning pictures which he did not share with his partner. It was to the Fort Lee studio he took his way after dinner. Weems was "shooting" at night, and the six-reel special would also be in course of production.

Trent spoke to the technical director.

"Which of those carpenters you're laying off do you recommend?" He had learned that with the completion of the feature's big sets not so many hands would be required.

"Those four," said the technical director. "Stafford, Clancy, Cleveland and Dale."

When Messrs. Stafford, Clancy, Cleveland and Dale were paid off they secured instantly other positions. They knew Trent had an interest in a production. They presumed he was to be one of the new lights in filmdom. They had seen many such in a heaven where comets and falling stars were common phenomena.

Stafford was the foreman. He was a superior sort of mechanic who aimed at being a technical director some day. There were conditions in this new job which were unusual, but board and lodgings, plus pay, seemed too good to peril with questioning.

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The Grant house party on his second visit was of a different character, as Anthony Trent recognized. Only Kathryn Holland remained of those who had been there before.

Less attention was given to lingering dinners and more to dancing and tennis. Payson Grant greeted Trent with effusion. He felt rather out of it with the younger men. He had played tennis only to find his wind was gone and his heart fluttering.

La Belle Alliance had been floated off on the highest tide of the year; she was undamaged and now in charge of harbor authorities. Investigation had discovered stolen property of all sorts. Redlich and his companions would not be brought to trial for some time.

One of the problems which perplexed Trent was how to deliver another of Sutton's messages to Grant without attracting suspicion to himself. It was unlikely that Grant would think one of his guests culpable; but there was always the possibility of it.

As before, he was struck with the lavish richness of the house and its appointments. It represented part of the fortune Sutton had amassed and laid at the feet of the woman who betrayed him. A lawyer had told Trent that her position was secure. The gift had been made freely and without compulsion. From the covert looks she continually gave Payson, Trent did not think the second husband was proving any more satisfactory than the first.

Under the steady influence of the stimulants Grant found he could not do without, he was developing a coarseness of face and manner which gave her increasing irritation. Before long she knew she would hate him. There were thorns with her roses.

The manner of delivering the third warning arranged itself with the ease Trent had come to associate with this campaign against the Grants.

One evening after dinner Kathryn Holland had complained of a headache, and he had taken her for a spin among the Lakewood pines. As the iron gates to the house were always closed, Trent got out of the machine at the curb on his return and opened them. While he was doing this a stranger passed and asked him in what direction Ahnelt hall was.

"I thought it was a holdup," said Kathryn Holland gaily. "What did he want?"

She saw that her escort was looking curiously at an envelope he held.

"His excuse was that he wanted to know where Ahnelt hall lay, but I think the real reason was to get me to give this letter to Grant. I wonder why he couldn't deliver it himself."

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Contentment is about eight parts laziness.—Atlanta Constitution.

Proverb, revised by Wall Street: What goes up must go up.—New York Evening Post.

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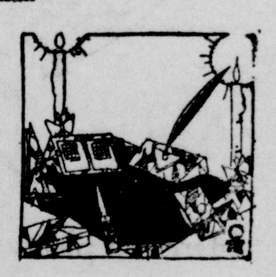
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when he had put his car in the garage and joined the rest in the ballroom, Trent saw Grant from a doorway, beckoning him. Grant was looking wretched.

"Kathryn Holland says some one gave you a letter for me."

Anthony Trent put it into his trembling hands. Grant did not even thank him. Furtively he took it and disappeared.

In the library, where he could be sure of being alone and yet within the comforting sound of human voices, Payson Grant read the letter. It was Sutton's writing, as he had feared.

"You escaped that time through the unconscious intervention of one of your friends. But for that you would now be on your way to Buenos Aires in La Belle Alliance. If you doubt it, bring up the matter in court. I shall see you on the seventeenth. You have one way of escape, and that is full confession.

"F. W. S."

It was Albert Thorpe who informed Anthony Trent that Mr. Grant was overcome by the sultriness of the weather and had fainted in the library Mr. Grant would like to see Mr. Trent, if possible, for a few minutes.

"I'll go up at once," said the obliging Trent.

"It's about that letter," Grant said "I can't quite make it out," he confessed. "I suppose you didn't get a good look at the man's face?"

"I saw it quite distinctly," Trent answered readily.

Grant looked troubled.

"That's funny," he murmured "Kathryn said she couldn't recognize him at all; she only saw he was a big man."

"Miss Holland was in the machine, and could not see him. I saw him clearly because he was in the circle of light made by the lamp on the top of the gate-post. Anything wrong about the note? Black-hand threats, or anything like that?"

Grant shook his head and tried to smile.

"Nothing more than curiosity," he answered. After a pause, as though nerving himself for a shock, he asked what the stranger looked like.

"He was a man a little taller than you and a good bit broader in build. Rather a pale face. Sort of broken nose and sharp little gray eyes. I noticed he had a V-shaped scar over his left eye. Gave me the impression," Trent went on confidentially, "of being mentally unbalanced. Looked as if he needed a good square meal and a hair cut."

Through a mirror Trent watched the changes fear brought to the other's face. That Grant suffered pleased him; but that Grant's heart might be weak made him vaguely uneasy. There would be greater strains than this to bear.

"Did you recognize the man?" Trent asked.

"I wanted to see if I did," Grant said evasively. "It was a begging letter, and the police oughtn't to let people be annoyed like that. What's the date today?"

"The fourteenth," said Trent. "Anything I can do for you?"

"You might send Thorpe in."

When Thorpe came in his employer stared at him sullenly. "Do you still have the grounds searched every night?" he snapped.

"Yes, sir," Thorpe answered. "Also the house from basement to roof."

"You're too d—d careless to suit me," Grant grumbled. "See you take special care tonight. Send Mrs. Grant here at once, and get this number on the long distance."

Natica came in almost at once. All she knew was that a letter had been given either to Kathryn Holland or Mr. Trent, and on receipt of it her husband disappeared.

She read it slowly. It was Frank's writing, and he was near them. Try as she might, she could not fight off a feeling, as yet vague and nebulous, that events were at hand which threatened the fabric of her dreams.

"Of course, you must call the police," she said, "or I will."

"I've had enough of this place, Grant said. "Every man I look at I want to be sure isn't Frank in disguise. My God! Nat, what use are the police if they can't catch him? He was within two hundred yards of me a few hours ago, and may be nearer than that now." He looked about the big room apprehensively. "I'm through. Think of what an escape I had! That d—d ship was got just to kidnap me. I tell you Frank must have money at the back of him. The police go looking for a seedy, broken-down tramp when he's probably living as well as we are and driving down here in a limousine."

"Don't make any plans until tomorrow," she said. "If it will make you any easier, change your room tonight."

Not because she had sympathy for his malaise, but because she was not sure how unwisely he might speak to the police, Natica saw the authorities when they came. They had combed the neighborhood and found no vagrants whom they did not know.

This confirmed Grant in his new belief that Sutton was not an outcast, but one protected, and therefore doubly dangerous. Because Trent had saved him from a deadly peril he felt a certain sense of safety in being near him. Trent was one of those reckless fools who liked dangers. If danger came near to Grant he might rely upon his guest to repel it.

He was talking to Trent when a footman brought a telegram toward them. Grant shrank back, as though here were another message from the man he had wronged. It was a relief when Trent opened it.

"It's from Swithin Weld," he announced. "Wants me to go up and spend a week or so in his Adirondack camp. I suppose you'd be bored to death at it."

Payson Grant turned a reproachful look on the speaker. Bored to death in such surroundings! He could imagine what it was like. Not a stranger could get past the keepers and guides. One might be as truly secluded there as any place in the world.

"Today's the fifteenth," he heard Trent say. "I think I'll start tomorrow. My visit is up. I've had a very pleasant time here, Mr. Grant. I wish you weren't looking so out of sorts."

Tomorrow was the sixteenth. A sentence of Sutton's note was graven on his brain. "I shall see you on the seventeenth." There would be no Anthony Trent to rely on then.

"You are lucky in having real friends," Grant said bitterly. "I've got to stay here whether I like it or not. I tell you, Trent, I'm a very sick man. It doesn't mean very much to you, a trip to the Weld camp. An invitation like that to me would mean saving my reason."

Trent simulated growing astonishment.

"You really mean it?" he asked. "I'll tell you what I'll do. I'll ask Weld if I may bring you along, too. But could you leave?" he added doubtfully.

"There's nothing to stop me."

Before dusk the wire came back as scheduled.

"By all means bring Grant (it read), but he will find it deadly dull here as there are no other guests.

"SWITHIN WELD."

Natica Grant was even more pleased than her husband, although for vastly different reasons. She could imagine the joy of telling those who asked where her husband had gone that he was staying at the famous Weld camp in the Adirondacks. Payson would have the opportunity to get to know his host thoroughly.

It pleased Grant to think he was stealing a march on his enemy. "You'll see me on the seventeenth," he muttered. "All right, I'm leaving on the sixteenth." He was in excellent spirits at dinner.

Grant had no fear that his wife would suffer at Sutton's hands. He did not think anyone could frighten Natica. Supreme selfishness dwarfed all her other emotions



"You Are Lucky In Having Real Friends," Grant Said Bitterly.

He learned from Trent that the week might lengthen into two if the weather kept fine. In two weeks' time Payson Grant would come back a different man, he assured his wife. Just now he was shot to bits with worry and unwise indulgence in stimulants. And every day brought Sutton's ultimate capture nearer.

Payson Grant left his splendid home in Deal Beach in the highest of good humors.

"I've never been in the Adirondacks," he confessed to Trent. "This is going to be a revelation to me."

"It wouldn't surprise me at all," Anthony Trent agreed.

(Continued Friday)

ONION, HISTORIC FOOD CROP, REMAINS FAVORITE IN DIET

From the earliest times of which we have authentic records the onion has been highly esteemed as an article of food. In desert regions it was early used also as a preventive of thirst by travelers and soldiers on the march. The original home of the plant, of which there are many varieties, was probably southern Asia or the borders of the Mediterranean Sea.

Egyptians cultivated the onion at the dawn of their history, according to W. R. Beattie, of the United States Department of Agriculture, and now the Egyptians offer competition to the Texas producers of winter-grown Bermuda onions.

The onion, says Mr. Beattie, belongs to a widely variable species, Alluim cepa, which forms a part of the botanical family of plants which includes many of the lilies, the several forms of asparagus and smilax, and similar plants with a scaly or fleshy enlarged root. A characteristic of this family is that most of its specnes grow naturally upon soil having an abundance of moisture, many of them being natives of low-lying areas along the seashore. Another characteristic of plants like the onion and asparagus is that they will withstand considerable salt in the soils on which they grow. Conditions favorable to onion culture are found in many sections of the United States and the crop is widely grown.

Good prices for onions one year are likely to stimulate heavy production the next year. This is true not only because commercial growers expand their acreage but also because good prices will lead many individuals to plant onions in small patches or home gardens that supply more than the needs of the growers and so enter the local markets in competition with the field-grown crop. Onions demand intensive culture, which makes them particularly adaptable for truck patch and back-lot cultures, in which the grower can cultivate and weed them in the time outside his usual hours of employment. The average yield of an acre of onions is about 290 bushels, but on soils that are suitable and fertile good cultivation often results in yields of from 400 to 600 bushels an acre.

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The "Manufacturer's Record" is a semi-technical business magazine, published in Baltimore with a wide circulation among business and professional men from coast to coast. Editorial opinions and statements in it's columns receive attention and carry weight among the best thinkers of the Nation. An editorial clipping from the November edition, bearing on the Jadwin Plan follows for the information of our many readers who are vitally interested in that project:

"The Jadwin plan proposes to subject to periodic flooding a territory of 10,000 square miles west of the Mississippi, in Arkansas and Louisiana. That territory is now populated by upwards of 74,000 people, some in towns, some on fertile farms. Public works, towns and farms—all that go to make a rich agricultural section would be destroyed by the opreation of the Jadwin plan.

"The people of the lands and towns Genreal Jadwin proposes to lay waste in the Mississippi Valley are in revolt against the plan; the people of the tributaries object to paying for huge expenditures which will leave them defenseless and which, they believe, will be rendered useless by the final development of reservoir systems they demand on the tributaries. In this situation there should be sufficient basis for co-ordinated action between all sections of the Mississippi drainage system and nothing short of wholeharted co-operation will suffice. The Jadwin plan is severely criticised by able civilian engineers on the ground that it contains some dangerous experiments, and we believe that before its adoption drives 74,000 people from their homes it should be subjected to a searching analysis by an unbiased board of the ablest civilian engineers in the country, and that such board should be specifically charged with the responsibility for revising or replacing it as far as might seem advisable".

The above indictment of Jadwin's plans and methods is not only one of many from high sources. As they are studied it become more evident daily that not only eminent engineers from East, West, North and South, but also thinking lay citizens, are rapidly losing confidence in the whole works as directed by Jadwin.

Loss of public confidence in any business project is a serious handicap. The colossal size of this enterprise along with the hundreds of millions it will cost multiplies, to an amazing degree, the misfortune created by a lack of faith in Jadwin leadership.

The Government should be able to find a way to quiet the public mind with regard to this deplorable situation. A general review of plans and methods by a board of unquestioned ability and experience on which civilians are represented has been suggested. Certainly some move can be made by Uncle Sam to still the currents of criticism now running, else they may soon grow into a tidal wave.—Charlesten Enterprise-Courier

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England has developed a substitute for cotton, but in this country we just use silk.—New York Evening Post.

Mr. Hoover's trip has proved that battleships aren't obsolete but make very handy fishing-smacks.—New Evening Post.

As one Democrat we are willing to start a subscription list to buy The Literary Digest before the beginning of the 1932 campaign.—Tombstone (Ariz.) Epitaph.

What has become of the old-fashioned barber who said he was 'a professor of the tonsorial art"?—Atchison Globe. He is now practising as a beautician.—Arkansas Gazette.

INDUSTRIAL NEWS FROM OVER MISSOURI

St. Charles—Bids opened for erection of Community Building at City Park.

Oak Grove—Bids opened for building eight miles concrete road thru this place.

Weston—New fixtures installed at local post office.

Canton—"Canton Press" and "Canton News" consolidate as "News-Press".

New Cambria—Carload drainage tile shipped from New Cambria Concrete Works to Brookfield to be used in highway construction.

De Soto—Fund increasing for establishment of new furniture factory here.

Carthage—Contracts let for construction of new McCune-Brooks hospital.

Unionville—Government radio station at local airport completed.

Princeton—Modern restaurant installed in Cook building.

South St. Louis—New South Side National Bank Building nearing completion here.

St. Louis Public Service Co. plans to reroute Bellefontaine line in near future.

Carthage—J. C. Penney Co. will move into remodeled building at 141 East Third Street.

Neosho—Formal opening of Neo-buildings at Wood and Coler Streets. buildings at Wood and Coler Strets.

Kansas City—Three-story building at 804 Walnut Street remodeled for use by Nokss Auction Co.

Branson—Pierce-Pennant Co. erecting new oil distributing station here.

Gunn City—New Christian church dedicated here.

Mendon—Swan Lake may be purchased for federal game reserve.

Moberly—Columbia hardsurfaced road completed recently.

Bethany—Streets is Miriam cemetery will be graveled.

Slater—Construction work on building for garment factory progressing rapidly.

Ferguson—New store and apartment building under construction at Florissant and Evans Roads.

Ferguson—Cornerstone laid of new Presbyterian church on Darst Road and Clay Avenue.

Shelbyville—Streets of this place being improved.

Vandalia—A. & P. store opened in remodeled quarters.

Famous Mining Strikes

By THOMAS R. STEWARD

WNU Service

The Diamonds of Brazil

IT IS said that at Diamantina, in the Brazilian province of Minas Geraes, gold in tiny particles is so plentiful in the soil that children follow the workmen who are putting in telephone poles or doing any kind of digging, for the sake of picking up the tiny flecks of precious metal that are sure to be revealed.

Writers on Brazil tell how miners seeking gold found a number of bright and attractive pebbles which had such an individual appearance that residents of the village of Tijuca began saving them for markers in card games. They became "chips," and in all there probably were a bushel of them around the place.

Presently a Portuguese visitor in Tijuca "got into a game" one day and recognized the markers as diamonds. He expressed mild interest in them and offered to buy some. They sold him half a bushel or so, and he cut his stay as short as possible, departing for Amsterdam, a diamond center, with the diamonds safely stowed away.

Word of his discovery reached the Portuguese crown, for that was before the days of Brazilian independence. Investigation showed that there was a huge tract of diamond bearing soil in Brazil, in all about 400 square leagues, including the famous black diamond district in the state of Bahia.

At one time the Brazilian fields practically controlled the world's diamond supply, especially in the century prior to 1867-70, when the South African strikes were made.

The largest diamond ever found in Brazil, the "Star of the South," was found at a place called "Agua Suja," meaning "dirty water." It weighed about the same as the celebrated Kohinoor of South Africa, about 300 carats.

Brazilian stones are usually found in the beds of rivers and the business of gathering them is prosaic in the extreme. None of the improved methods employed in South Africa have as yet been introduced by the Brazilians. The stones, when discovered, look like white, half-transparent pebbles.

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That New York stock market has broken all records. It will begin on the hearts a little later.—Wichita Eagle.

Nothing seems to be quite so much needed in this country as the spread of intelligence among the intelligentsia".—Boston Transcript.



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BY FRANK ELLIS, JR.

Chance and Games

WITH regard to "chance" games, or, to use a general term, gambling, luck may be said to be the presiding genius, and to influence, according to popular superstition, the good or ill fortune of those who engage in them. All gamblers believe that all their success (though their success is only temporary where games of pure chance are concerned) is not the result of skillful effort on their part. There is scarcely a gambler who is not ready to assert his faith in certain observances whereby he changed his luck, by changing seats, reversing his



hat or cap, a new deal, or the like. If luck is against a player, to turn three times around with his chair, "for then the luck will change in his favor," is commonly done. It is considered that bystanders bring ill luck to players.

If a child has small feet, she will lead an easy life.

A boy who will carry a dull knife will be a bachelor.

To make a blot on a love letter shows that the person you are writing to is thinking of you at the moment.

If the seventh wedding one attend is not one's own, one will never marry.

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Remember the good old days when the people in the rural districts had so much money they could afford to buy a gold brick once in a while?—Rushville (Ind.) Republican.

JACKSON HIGH SCHOOL GYM NEARLY COMPLETED

Jackson, Mo., December 10.—The new high school auditorium is nearing completion, and will probably be used for the first time tonight by the Livestock Shipping Association whcih is sponsoring a "Scrub Bull Trial".

The new combination auditorium and gymnasium will seat 1450 people and as a gym at least 1000. The first game of the basketball season will be played Friday in the new gym with Perryville. The remainder of the building, including six class room, will be completed within a few weeks.

Pacific—New gravel plant will be established here immediately.

Shelbyville—Local telephone wires laid underground by telephone company.

A Missouri woman has willed her estate to her seventeen dogs. This isn't the first to go that way, however.—Council Bluffs Nonpareil.



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Pacific—Pacific Variety Store enlarges quarters.

St. Charles—Bids opened for construction of Community House at Blanchette Park.

It is when a boiling stock market begins to cool that the water becomes most evidnet.—Christian Science Monitor.

Science might rest up a bit about the origin of man, and determine what his finish is to be.—New York American.

"President Coolidge Has Had Many Offers". But not, we venture, one to go into the talkie movies.—New York Evening Post.

Millikan, scientists, says man will be here for a billion years yet. Possibly that is why politicians show no rush about farm relief.—Wichita Eagle.

Flat River—Paving on Upper Main Street opened to traffic.

Flat River—Post office moves into new quarters in Masonic building.

Campbell—Plans under way for construction of new school building.

Most of the plungers seem to think Wall is a one-way street.—New York Evening Post.

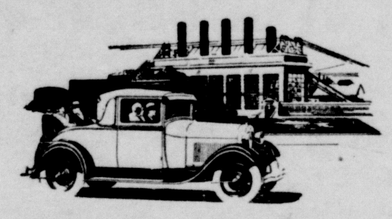
St. Charles—Union Electric Light & Power Co. installs electric power at Washington Flour Mill plant.

Diet specialists now tell us that spaghetti is the best all-around food. All around what?—Brooklyn Eagle.

FOR SALE—Guaranteed fresh eggs. Delivered to the home. Notify Louis Watkins, Vanduser, Mo.

FOR SALE or RENT—4-room house and 3 lots, 927 Vernon Ave. Small payment down, balance like rent.—John Lind, Cape Girardeau. tf.

The utilities of a city are combined in your motor car



YOUR automobile is something like a miniature city. There is an electric light and power system, a water system, a fuel system.

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Take, for example, the generator—one of the most important parts of the electrical system which supplies the current for lighting and for engine ignition.

In the new Ford, the generator is of the power-house type and is distinctive in many features. It has been specially designed to prevent most forms of trouble. Oiling is necessary only once a year. About the only thing you need do is to have the charging rate changed as the seasons change.

Closely allied to the electrical system is the ignition system. It, too, is of new mechanical design in the new Ford. There is but one high tension cable and that connects the coil with the distributor. Even cables from the distributor to the spark plugs have been eliminated. Special care has also been taken to make the distributor water-proof, thus preventing short circuits from rain, etc.

The entire electrical and ignition systems of the new Ford are so simple in design and so carefully made that they will give you surprisingly little trouble. Yet that doesn't mean they should be neglected. Certain little attentions are needed from time to time.

The storage battery should be given water and the connections kept clean. The generator charging rate should be changed as indicated. Spark plugs should be cleaned at regular intervals. Distributor points should also be kept clean and the distributor cam given a light film of vaseline every 2000 miles.

These are just little things, but they mean a great deal to your car. You can have them looked after at very small cost by the Ford dealer when you take the car in for oiling and greasing.

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Famous Mining Strikes

By THOMAS B. STEWARD

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The Million-Dollar Jug

ONE of the strangest discoveries in all the history of American mining laid the foundation for the wealth of H. A. W. Tabor, later the millionaire lieutenant governor of Colorado. The same discovery ultimately created Leadville, Colo., from whose mines so many millions of dollars' worth of ore, especially silver and lead, have been extracted.

Following some desultory placer mining, Tabor had settled down at Oro City, in the famous California Gulch, and opened a general store. One day two prospectors who were without funds asked him to grubstake them for a trip into the mountains, half of all they found to belong to him in payment for the grub.

Tradition has it that there was a jug of whisky in the outfit and that the two veterans, taken by the idea of a drink, dispatched the whole jug when they were but a few miles from their starting point. The story is told in United States government records. When the whisky had disappeared, although its influence may still have been felt, they concluded that the spot on which they had prematurely camped was as good a one to sink a prospecting hole as any other.

Now this spot was on the famous Fryer hill, where extremely rich ore bodies were so deeply covered with detritus material that the deposits might never have been discovered but for some lucky chance. But these two miners, prospecting in a place that might ordinarily have seemed hopeless to them, struck the famous ore body of the Little Pittsburg mine at a depth of only 25 or 30 feet and at the only point on the whole area of the hill where the rock in place comes so near to the surface.

Discoveries rapidly multiplied in this region and claims were soon changing hands at prices that advanced swiftly into the millions.

In 1877 a population of about 200 persons had settled on the site of what was to become Leadville. Its business houses were a minute grocery store and two saloons. By the next spring Leadville had been named and incorporated as a city of the second class and by 1880 Leadville had become the second largest city in Colorado with 15,000 inhabitants and assessable property estimated at from $10,000,000 to $30,000,000. It had 28 miles of streets, waterworks, sewers, and a school system that included a $50,000 high school. There were 14 smelters and 37 shaft furnaces, of which 24 were in active operation. Leadville produced millions in mineral wealth, its record having been surpassed only by the famous Comstock lode in Nevada.

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Three trucks of coal caught fire in Yorkshire and burned for four hours. We should like a ton of that coal.—Punch.

Applauding a movie actor is safe, because he can't come back and give an encore.—Yates Center (Mo.) Times.

A scientist says there is no such thing as perfect climate. That man would be hanged in California.—Dallas News.

The American Federation of Labor re-elects Green president—but it is still against the Reds.—Winston-Salem Journal.

Futuristic art is now being faked, but there is no proof yet that the fake is any better than the original.—Boston Transcript.

Under present conditions the possessor of a seat on the New York Stock Exchange could be excused for not giving it to a lady.—Troy Record.

Solomon was a wise guy, but he could never have competed with The Literary Digest in forecasting our Presidential election.—Hartford Courant.

The last time we counted, the Democrats were facing a deficit of a million and a half. It may be necessary to ask some Philadelphia cop to pay off this mortgage.—The New Yorker.

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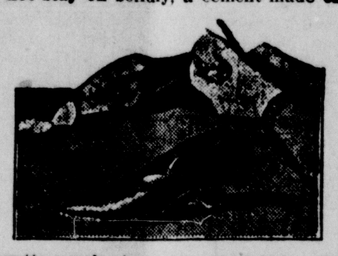
By EDNA PURDY WALSH

Protecting Shoes With Tire Patches

FOR the summer pump of thin soles and small heels tire patches make excellent protectors for both heels and tips where the wear is first shown. If a small triangular piece of rubber patch is applied to the pointed tip of the sole the leather tip above will look neat more than double the time.

Satin-covered wooden heels and leather heels can be adequately protected from wearing over by cutting these tire patches to the shape of the heel and cementing onto the heel.

Some tire patches have a cement already on them which will adhere to leather and wood. If the patch does not stay on solidly, a cement made of



gutta percha in carbon bisulphide will unite the rubber and leather. The edges of both rubber and leather should first be roughed by a sharp glass edge, and after the cement has been applied they should be pressed and held together. A tool chest vise will serve as a press.

If the heel is of wood, a cement of gum rubber soaked in a small quantity of naphtha or gasoline is the best to use.

These thin rubber heels and toe protectors are very long wearing. While not as springy as ordinary rubber heels they do not change the shape of the heel.

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Monett—1386 carloads Ozark grapes shipped out of this region this season.

Hermann—Construction started on new bridge over Missouri River at this place.

When you see smoke rolling out the windows of a modern home these days it might be a female bridge party instead of the house on fire.—Florida Times-Union.

TRUSTEE'S SALE

Default having been made for more than six months in payment of dues and interest secured by note described in deed of trust executed by Ella Shuppert and her husband, J. R. Shuppert, dated August Twentieth, Nineteen Hundred Twenty-seven and recorded on the Twenty-third Day of August, Nineteen Hundred Twenty-seven in Office of Recorder of Deeds for Scott County, Missouri, at Benton, Missouri, in Book number 51, at Page number 157, conveying to undersigned the following described real estate and improvements thereon, in the County of Scott, State of Missouri, to-wit:

All of Lot Number Nine (9) and all the South Half of Lot Number Ten (10) in Block Number Three (3) of High School Addition to the Town or City of Sikeston, Missouri, according to the recorded plat thereof, and all improvements thereon.

Now in accordance with the terms and conditions of said note and deed of trust and the legal holder and owner of said note and deed of trust having declared the whole debt due as secured thereby, I will, at the request of said legal holder and owner, on

FRIDAY, JANUARY 4 1929

between the hours of 9:00 A. M. and 5:00 P. M. of said day sell the above described property to the highest bidded for cash at the Front Door of the Post Office in the Town or City of Sikeston, Scott County, Missouri, for the purpose of satisfying said debt and costs.

LEE B. EWING, (Trustee).

TRUSTEE'S SALE

Default having been made for more than six months in payment of dues and interest secured by note described in deed of trust executed by E. A. Bandy, and his wife, Mary Bandy, dated February Twentieth, Nineteen Hundred Twenty-five, and recorded on the Twenty-fifth Day of March, Nineteen Hundred Twenty-five, in office of Recorder of Deeds for Scott County, Missouri, at Benton, Missouri, in Book number 51, at Page number 43, conveying to undersigned the following described real estate and improvements thereon, in the County of Scott, State of Missouri, to-wit:

A tract of land situated in United States Private Survey No. 614, Township 26 North, Range 14 East, and lying entirely within the corporate limits of the City of Sikeston, Scott County, Missouri, bounded and described as follows: Beginning at a pump line on the South line of Kathleen Avenue, set Eighty-four (84) feet East of the Northwest corner of Lot number Two (2) of Out Block number Forty-two (42), and running thence East along the South line of said Kathleen Avenue a distance of Eighty (80) feet to a pump pipe; thence South along a line parallel to the West line of said Lot number Two (2) of OutBlock number Forty-two (42), a distance of One Hundred Forty-six (146) feet to a pump pipe; thence West along a line parrallel to the South line of Kathleen avenue a distance of Eighty (80) feet to a pump pipe; thence North along a line parallel to the West line of said Lot number Two (2) of Out Block number Forty-two (42) a distance of One Hundred Forty-six (146) feet to the point of beginning, and all improvements on above described property.

Now in accordance with the terms and conditions of said note and deed of trust and the legal holder and owner of said note and deed of trust having declared the whole debt due as secured thereby, I will, at the request of said legal holder and owner, on

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Rolla—Construction of new Frisco station begins at this place.

TRUSTEE'S SALE

Default having been made for more than six months in payment of dues and interest secured by note described in deed of trust executed by Jessie M. Shelby and her husband, E. Orville Shelby, dated January Twentieth, Nineteen Hundred and Twenty-five, and recorded on the Twenty-seventh Day of January, Nineteen Hundred Twenty-five, in Office of Recorder of Deeds for Scott County Missouri, at Benton, Missouri, in Book number 51, at Page number 35, conveying to undersigned the following described real estate and improvements thereon, in the County of Scott, State of Missouri, to-wit:

All of Lot Number One (1) in Block number Thirteen (13) in the Chamber of Commerce Addition to the Town or City of Sikeston, Missouri, according to the recorded plat thereof, and all improvements thereon.

Now in accordance with the terms and conditions of said note and deed of trust and the legal holder and owner of said note and deed of trust having declared the whole debt due as secured thereby, I will, at the request of said legal holder and owner, on

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LEE B. EWING, (Trustee).

TRUSTEE'S SALE

Default having been made for more than six months in payment of dues and interest secured by note described in deed of trust executed by Ona Lloyd and her husband, Joseph S. Lloyd, dated January, Twentieth. Nineteen Hundred Twenty-five, and recorded on the Eighteenth Day of February, Nineteen Hundred Twenty-five, in Office of Recorder of Deeds for Scott County, Missouri, at Benton, Missouri, in Book number 51, at Page number 38, conveying to undersigned the following described real estate and improvements thereon, in the County of Scott, State of Missouri, to-wit:

All of Lot number Twenty-five (25), and all the North Half of Lot number Twenty-six (26), all in Block number Eighteen (18), of McCoy and Tanner's Third Addition to the Town or City of Sikeston, Missouri, according to the recorded plat thereof, and all improvements thereon.

Now in accordance with the terms and conditions of said note and deed of trust and the legal holder and owner of said note and deed of trust having declared the whole debt due as secured thereby, I will, at the request of said legal holder and owner, on

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LEE B. EWING, (Trustee)

TRUSTEE'S SALE

Default having been made for more than six months in payment of dues and interest secured by note described in deed of trust executed by E. E. Ferrell and his wife, Velda Ferrell, dated December Twentieth, Nineteen Hundred Twenty-four and recorded on the Twenty-sixth Day of December Nineteen Hundred Twenty-four in Office of Recorder of Deeds for Scott County, Missouri at Benton, Missouri in Book number 51, at Page number 25, conveying to undersigned the following described real estate and improvements theron, in the County of Scott, State of Missouri. to-wit:

Beginning at a point in the West line of Delmar Street Five Hundred Forty-six and 32-100 (546.32) feet South of the intersection of the said West line of Delmar Street with the South line of William Street in the City of Sikeston, Missouri, said point of beginning being the Southeast corner of the tract of land deeded by the Gilbreath heirs to Ella Scott in August, 1914; thence in a Southerly direction along the West line of Delmar Street a distance of One Hundred Thirty-seven and 18-100 (137.18) feet to the intersection of the North line of Murray Lane; thence Westerly along the North line of Murray Lane a distance of Three Hundred Ninety-one and 02-100 (391.02) feet to the intersection of the East right-of-way line of the St. Louis and San Francisco Railroad; thence Northerly along the East line of said railroad right-of-way a distance of One Hundred Thirty-seven and 54-100 (137.54) feet to the Southwest corner of said Ella Scott tract; thence Easterly along the South line of said Ella Scott tract a distance of Three Hundred Eighty-one and 41-100 (381.41) feet to the place of beginning, containing one and 216-1000 (1.216) acres, more or less, and being a part of Block number Forty-five (45) of McCoy and Tanner's Eighth Addition to the City of Sikeston, Missouri, and now shown as part of Out Block Number Forty-four (44) on the official map of Sikeston, Missouri, recorded in the Recorder's office of Scott County, Missouri, in Plat Book 4 at page 128, and all improvements on above described property.

Now in accordance with the terms and conditions of said note and deed of trust and the legal holder and owner of said note and deed of trust having declared the whole debt due as secured thereby, I will, at the request of said legal holder and owner, on

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HOLD SERVICES FOR JACK CAMPBELL TUES

Funeral services for Ernest E. "Jack" Campbell, 29, who was accidently shot and killed near Neelyville, Saturday, will be held today (Tuesday) at Crowder.

Ernest and his brother, Leonard Campbell had established a camp, five or six miles south of Neelyville, and were engaged in hunting and trapping. The two were in a boat Saturday morning, when Leonard asked his brotner to move his shotgun, as the boat was leaking and he was afraid the gun would be ruined. Ernest reached around back of himself and pulled the gun towards him. The charge lodged in his side, but he lived about thirty minutes before dying.

The body was taken to a Poplar Bluff undertaking establishment and prepared for burial, and was brought to the residence in Crowder late Sunday evening. H. J. Welsh will have charge of the funeral service Tuesday.

A widow and two children, a girl aged six and a boy aged 4, survive.

U. D. C. MEETS AT MOORE GREER HOME THURSDAY

The regular monthly meeting of the local Chapter of the U. D. C. met at the home of Mrs. Moore Greer, North Kingshighway, last Thursday afternoon, with Mrs. W. T. Marshall of Charleston hostess.

The programme consisted of readings written by Edgar Guest, a musical reading and a vocal duet.

The programme follows:

"The Real Sucesses"....Lois Hahn
"Dirty Hands"....Elizabeth Bowman
"Ma and Her Check Book"
.....Nanabelle Wilson
"The Radio".....Adajean Bowman
"Christmas" .....Adajean Bowman

The second reading "Christmas" was composed by Adajean herself.

"Pa Did It".....Emily Blanton
Musical Reading—"And Then She Married Father"....Emily Blanton
Vocal Duet—"Holy Night"
....Mary Tanner and Virginia Mount

HIGH SCHOOL BOYS START ON TRIP VIA FREIGHT TRAIN

Albert McIarthy and Max Reed, two Sophomores in the high school, left home, spare-time jobs and school books, for the open road via a southbound freight at 7:30 o'clock Friday. A letter to the homefolks, sent from Memphis, Tenn., Saturday, advised that the boys were headed for Monroe, La., to visit a married ssiter of the Reed boy. The adventurers said they would probably be back by Christmas. McCarty was employed before and after school hour at the Farmers' Supply Co. and at The Standard office as carrier. Reed worked for th eWelter Bake Shop in his spare time.

SANTA CLAUS

The wind blows cold,
'Tis going to snow.
Then o'er the hills
Old Santa will go.
Listen: Those sleigh-bells
Of Santa's you'll hear.
He comes with presents
To wind up the year.
Of gladness and joy
You need never fear
For he comes loaded down
With Christmas cheer.
He's a generous fellow
Ne'er does he stop
'Til the rays of the sun,
Peep oe'r the horizon,
And day is begun.
Then he highes him away
To his home o'er the lea,
Perhaps, we can't tell,
It may be far o'er the sea.
But next year he'll be here
To see you again,
If not by auto
In a big aeroplane.
—Minnie Sayers Smith

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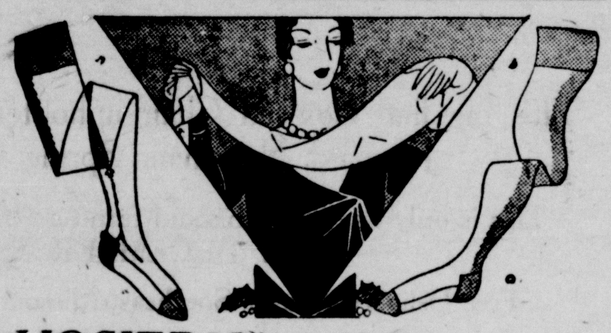
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FIRST H. S. OPERETTA IN SIX YEARS TO BE PRESENTED TUESDAY EVENING

The first high school operetta to be promoted here in six or seven years will be presented Tuesday evening, December 18, beginning at 7:30 o'clock in the school auditorium. The plot of "The Gypsy Rover" centers about an English heir, who is stolen in infancy and falls into the hands of a gypsy band. His experiences with this roving group forms a very intricate, and fascinating plot, and the playlet ends—well, it ends, but how will have to be left to the devices of the clever gypsy.

A cast of more than forty supports the central figure.

THE KING IMPIOVES

London, December 16.—The spirit of hopefulness which prevailed in royal circles yesterday become more pronounced today with the issue of two favorable bulletins on the condition of King George. Both were very short but both announced continued slgiht improvement.

The night bulletin said:

"The king had a quiet day and the improvement in his majtesy's condition noted this morning has been maintained."

The morning report was:

"In spite of a restless night, his majesty's condition has slightly improved".

Members of the royal family are beginning to move with greater freedom as the result of their relaxation from the anxiety which held them in the critical days after the operation on Wednesday.

In view of the illness of King George, the exposition of the blessed sacrament was solemnized today in all toman Catholic churches in the diocese of Nottingham.

SON BORN TO MR. AND MRS. H. D. LAMBERT SUNDAY P. M.

A baby boy was born to Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Lambert at 11 o'clock Sunday night. The youngster was named William Franklin, and brings the total of children in the Lambert family to fourteen. One child died in infancy.

FOR RENT—7-room house on Kathleen Avenue. Lights.—John A. Matthews, phone 216.

BIDS OPENED FOR PAVEMENT OF NO. 61

Bids were received by the Missouri Highway Department at Jefferson City last Friday for the construction of concrete pavement on Highway 61 from a point near Williams Creek, three miles east of Jackson, to a point four miles south of Cape Girardeau. The Rouse Construction Co., of Cape Girardeau offered the lowest bid on this nine-mile stretch of road:

The Cameron-Joyce-Smith-Elder Company of Keokuk, Iowa, presented the lowest bid on the proposed pavement in New Madrid County between Portageville and New Madrid, a distance of 15.4 miles. While these companies were low bidders, the contracts were not awarded and will not be until the State Highway Commission meets.

Highway 61 in Cape Girardeau County was graded this year in preparation for the paving. The projects include the paving of the roadway of the viaduct now in progress of construction over the Frisco railway tracks south of Cape Girardeau.

RECOVER CAR STOLEN FROM DAVE KEVIL FRIDAY NIGHT

Sikeston officers were notified by Cape Girardeau police Sunday night of the recovery of a Buick coupe, the property of Dave Kevil of this city. The car was stolen Friday evening between 7:30 and 8:30 o'clock from in front of the Skillman boarding house at 414 North Ranney.

The Russell-Bradley Missionary Society will have a Christmas sale at the Missouri Utilities office Wednesday afternoon. Articles $1.00.

Dear Santa:

Please bring me a pair of high-top shoes, a big car and a cowboy suit. And I want the other children to have some toys, too.

ALFRED LYLE ANDRES.

Dear Santa:

I will write you a letter and tell you what I would like to have for Christmas. I am a little boy 8 years old. I want a cap pistol, a box of caps and coloring book and some colors and don't you forget my little sister.

HAROLD.

PORTAGEVILLE YOUTH, SHOT WHILE HUNTING, IMPROVES IN CAPE GIRARDEAU HOSPITAL

Cape Girardeau, December 10.—The condition of Floyd Phillips, 15, of Portageville, who is in the St. Francis hospital following an injury to his right arm received Thursday noon when his gun accidently exploded while he was out hunting, is reported to be fair. He spent a comfortable night.

The arm, which received the full load of the gun, when Phillips dropped it, was amputated below the elbow. Part of the shot went through Phillips' elbow and grazed the face of his brother, who was hunting with him at the time of the accident.

Phillips is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Phillips, who live on a farm north of Portageville, and he and his brother were hunting near their home when the accident occurred.

Pinnell's Clearance Sale is now going on. Were you there Saturday? Or maybe you could not get in as the crowds were tremendous, in fact, we could not handle them. Try and come this week if possible. Thanks to all.

SCHOOL FUNDS LOW SAYS SUPT. DENECKE

An unconfirmed report Saturday stated that Gray's Ridge consolidated school near Morheouse had closed with last Friday's classes for lack of funds. A report also gained circulation that the schools at Morehouse and Bertrand were about to close for the same reason.

A telephone conversation with Superintendent Denecke at Morehouse, Monday morning, however, brought a partial denial of conditions. "School funds are in mighty poor shape", said Mr. Denecke, "but so far as I know, none of the schools mentioned have closed as yet. It remains to be seen what amount will be derived from taxes this year. Gray Ridge school", said Mr. Denecke, "still owes part of last year's salaries, and the outlook is rather gloomy there, because they have already spent about two months appropriations from the State aid fund, and there is no immediate tax money in sight, and there won't be until February", he added.

Conditions in general in Southeast Missouri in school circles are not gratifying. Tax collections will be slow, at best, and lower in amount than ever before, because many farms being "sold for the taxes". In some cases on record back taxes more than equal the value of the land and improvements when value is based on current prices.

ORAN MAN RESENTS SLURS ON WOMEN BY DR. JOHNSTON

A remark regarding the women of Oran by Dr. Johnston, eye specialist of this city, led to a fight in an Oran Drug Store Thursday, December 6.

Lyman Harrison resented certain statements of the doctor and proceeded to knock down the doctor, according to witnesses. The mayor and an officer of the city were bystanders, but refused to interfere. Dr. Johnston left the city soon after the incident.

FIRE DESTROYS HOUSE ON BAKER FARM MONDAY

A four-room frame house on the G. C. Baker place, in the northeast part of Sikeston, and occupied by Charlie Pettiford, was destroyed by fire about 10:30 o'clock Monday morning. The Sikeston fire truck made a run to the burning structure, but the roof was falling in when they arrived. The Pettifords lost all their household goods and carried no insurance.

AT THE HOSPITAL

A nine- pound boy was born to Mr. and Mrs. Hoxalee L. Crites at 2:55 Saturday afternoon. The young man has been named Alvin Stewart.

Mrs. Clarence Treece, of Morehouse, was admitted to the hospital for treatment last Friday afternoon.

David Cash continues to show decided improvement. His arm was badly mangled in the gears of a sorghum mill several weeks ago, but is well on its way to recovery. David and W. D. Kitchen, also of Morehouse, have the prospect of spending Christmas in the hospital.

Mrs. Gord Dill, who entered the hospital several weeks ago for treatment, is improving.

ALL'S WELL THAT ENDS WELL

The recent bank failure held a shock and a surprise for one Sikestonian at least. This certain party, it seems, had a wife, and as dutiful husband are supposed to do, this husband set aside a certain amount every week for the household budget. Imagine his surprise, when he checked out his safety deposit box at the bank and found the tidy sum of more than $1000 safely tucked away. The friend wife had made certain deductions from the estimated expenses and quietly placed away the surplus against just such a contingency.

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Attend The Operetta *40 in the cast*

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The Standard editor and H. C. Blanton drove to Paris, Mo., to visit Miss Lillie Blanton, who recently fell and injured her back. She was the most cheerful person imaginable and complained of no pains. The X-ray showed one vertebra cracked and another one broken. She is in a plaster cast, and will be for many weeks, but firmly believes she will eventually be able to be about as of old. Her appetite is good, and she is able to read, write and do fancy work while flat of her back. Her wonderful nerve and will power will carry her to good health, we firmly believe.

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It is said by those who know that at Columbia, word was received in advance at most fraternity and sorority houses of a coming inspection of houses to determine the extent of influenza, and the number of suddenly contracted cases was really remarkable.

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This is to let the children know that the editor is not Santa Claus. The Standard is just a means to let Santa Claus know what the children would like to have. If the editor was Santa Claus and had in stock the many things asked for, we would do our best to see they were delivered. We sincerely hope all the white and colored children who have written to Santa Claus, will have their wishes fulfilled.

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FOR SALE—Dining table, buffet and six chairs. Reasonable. Call 51.

Mrs. Kirkendall, wife of Billy Kirkendall, died at St. Francis Hospital, Cape Girardeau, last evening from a paralytic stroke, the second in recent weeks. No particulars at this time as to funeral arrangements. She was a big hearted, splendid woman, and The Standard regrets exceedingly to hear of her demise.

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While in North Missouri over the week-end, we heard a number of people compliment the opera, "Firefly" on at the Malone Theatre Thursday evening of this week. The opera played at Hannibal, a city of 40,000, and it was said to have been the best entertainment for years that had visited that city. While the price seems high to we small city folks, it will be worth the price without a doubt. Get your tickets today.

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The Cape Girardeau Teachers College announces that they expect their basketball squad to redeem the ridiculous record made by the College in football this season. And their first game is with Olson's Swedes!—Campbell Citizen.

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Frances Jean is the name selected for the infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Noonan. 'Pat" and his friend "T" Wilson had the perfectly good name of Tom "T" Dan Noonan all picked out for the new arrival.

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The fact that one school is already closed near here and that two more, Morehouse and Bertrand are nearly forced to do the same thing for lack of funds presents a situation, both pathetic and alarming. Pathetic because the fathers and mothers of the children who will now suffer the loss of practically one year's school work swallowed whole the "Coolidge prosperity" bunk in the last election. Conditions could not have been much healthier then that now. It shows superficial thinking on the part of some. They were led to believe that some Hooverian miracle would suddenly relieve their burdens, the brunt of which are now visited upon their shoulders and upon their children. The situation is alarming because the condition of the schools reflects directly the financial condition of country districts. We shall see what relief prosperity howlers and the Coolidge press can offer.

REGARDING FIRE HAZARDS

Inspection reveals fire hazards. A warning in time is worth heeding. To some people there is "handwriting on the wall" in the warning in the report of fire hazards rendered by the Fire Prevention Bureau of a large mid-western city.

For the month of June, the Bureau made 4401 inspections, finding fire hazards to the number of 1365. Predominating in this total were bad heating units and rubbish, divided as follows:

Flues	387
Furnaces, stoves and hat plates	58
Heating appliances	6
Stoves and smokepipes	29
Total heating units bad	480

Accumulations of straw, trash, rubbish and waste paper constituted fire hazards to the number of 545.

Since these two classifications contained the greatest number of fire hazards, it is very probable that they caused the majority of fires suffered by the city in the past, according to The National Board of Fire Underwriters. It is also likely that a similar state of affairs exists in most communities.—The Manufacturer.

Few papers in this Southeastern section of Missouri which do not carry sheriff sales notices. Farms and portions of farm lands are going "under the hammer" to satisfy private debts, or tax assessments. It's a condition in which most of us can find little consolation, and very little hope for the future. Its is, however, the fact that after this present slump and reorganization of farm conditions, that conditions will improve. Large estates will finally disappear, because it is unprofitable to operate them. In their stead will come the small land owner with farms ranging from 80 to 240 acres. That small scale farmer will be better financed, he will farm not alone with grain and cotton; but with catch crops, garden truck, and he will keep cattle, hogs, chickens and cows as a sideline. Farmers in north and central Missouri have already learned their lesson, not to put all their eggs in one basket. We in Southeast Missouri are seeing for ourselves the folly of one track farming.

AS I SEE IT

By I'm About Town

The little scrap down there in Bolivia and Paraguay is causing quite a bit of comment, but we just supposed at first that it was a stunt cooked up by the Chambers of Commerce for one certain distinguished America "Good Will" ambassador—or maybe they merely wanted us to know that they really are on the map.

Those who have read the Hospital Notes in the local papers and have somewhat tired of reading "so-and-so is improving" can take consolation that the metro papers are prone to do the same thing—and in big headlines at that, "King Continues To Improve", for instance.

A report late Monday evening from Poplar Bluff gives Case, star football player on the Bluff high school team, little hope for recovery. Infection from a leg injury, received in a late season game, has entered the body.

SANTA CLAUS LETTERS

Blodgett, Mo.,

Dear Santa:

It is raining so much I thought I would ask for something to keep my feet dry, for my parents are not able to buy me none for we are in hard luck this winter. I need a pair of shoes. I am 10 years old. I go to school. My brother is 9 years old and my brother Verge is 6 years old. Send us some shoes we need them now for I don't want to miss school and we have a tree at our school Monday, December 24. Please come and bring my shoes so I can be in the program and I will never forget you. The rainy weather is hard on us poor colored folks. I will look for you. I want some candy and mixed nuts, but if we get our shoes, it will do us better then candy, but I like it, but my teacher told us kids to ask for the needed things, so I close. Don't fool me, for I need mine, Santa. I am colored. I live 1 and a little better from the colored Clay Pool School. There are 18 of us in our family. Please come.

Yours,
ALEXANDER BELL
ROBERT LEE BELL
VERGE BELL

Blodgett, Mo.,

Dear Santa:

I am a poor little girl. Please send me a coat for Xmas and a dress, a pair of Alice Blue stockings, for a girl 16 years old. I will thank you so much.

FRANCES COZART.

THE CONFLICT IN BRIEF

Reports of new conflicts in the disputed region of the Gran Chaco indicatde last night the growing seriousness of the situation between Bolivia and Paraguay, despite offers of mediation from many sources.

The Bolivians had revenged the loss of Fort Vanguardia on December .. by the capture of Mariscal Lopez (Fort Boqueron) and had raided by air the advanced Paraguayan position at Bahia Negra. The Paraguayan legation at Lima reported that a fourth fort was threatened by Bolivian forces and declared that "measures in accordance with the situation will be taken".

President Briand of the Council of the League of Nations, following receipt of news of these clashes after ten days of quiet, sent strong messages to Bolivia and Paraguay, both members of the league, stressing the fact that such border contacts are susceptible of compromising the success of all pacific procedure.

Briand added that he would immediately convoke a special session of the Council if either Bolivia or Paraguay make a formal declaration of war.

The Paraguayan Charge d'Affaires at Washington charged that Bolivia "wants war" for territorial aggrandizement and that American loans have been used in large part to purchase armaments for it. This last was denied by the Bolivian Minister.

La Paz, one of the capitals of Bolivia, received the news of the capture of Fort Boqueron with a tremendous demonstration of national fervor. It was reported there that casualties included more than 100 Paraguayans and 20 Bolivians. President Siles told 30,000 persons assembled in front of h is palace that the Bolivian troops in taking the fort gave a splendid example of Bolivian patriotism and that it was in line with the never-failing traditions of the country. Earlier, Congress had received with cheers the report of the conflict given by the President and his Cabinet. Bolivian legations have been authorized to say that the army has not mobilized and that the conflict so far has been between border garrisons.

Hermann—Construction started on new bridge over Missouri River at this place.

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Christmas coming!
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Christmas coming!
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Turkey—sage and onion stuffing!

Christmas coming!
Joy exuding,
Mince pie, pumpkin and plum pudding!

Christmas coming!
Love its leaven—
Peace on earth! Give thanks to heaven!

THE FARM OF THE FUTURE

Electricity is solving many farm difficulties. By doing away with slow, expensive and inefficient physical labor, it is today bringing about an agricultural revolution similar to the great changes that took place during the period when power was introduced into industry.

A practical experimental farm established in Illinois is a good augury for the future. It is of 80 acres, stocked with cows, hogs and chickens the three great enthusiasms of those who advocate diversified farming.

All of the cow's needs are supplied cheaply and quickly by power. The hay is pitched by an electric motor, and the water pumped into automatic drinking cups. Electricity cuts the feed and lifts it into bins. Electric milkers do the arduous milking job and electric refrigerators cool the milk.

Flies are kept away from the cows by an electric killer that attracts them with bait, and when they touch it, electrocutes them.

The feed for the pigs is likewise electrically prepared and their house is warmed by an electric stove.

Electricity operates the incubator and young chickens are treated with ultra-violet rays to prevent sickness. By use of electric light the hen's working day is lengthened to as much as 15 hours, increasing winter eggs production.

The farm house is equipped with almost every known and perfected electric labor saving device.

This farm, established as an experiment, is proving an outstanding practical success. Unless all signs fail, it is a model for the future.—The Manufacturer.

Pacific—Pacific Variety Store enlarges quarters.

Pinnell's Clearing Sale will be open every night this week.

Boys and girls 8; under 22: Travel Southern States by motor with chaperon on advertising campaign; leave city tomorrow, experience unnecessary; expenses advanced.—Mr. and Mrs. Struever, Hotel Marshall. pd.1t

HINTS FOR CHRISTMAS

IF YOU spill salt, throw a pinch over your left shoulder, and ill-luck will pass you by.

Always try to have a bit of mistletoe in the house, for it is a luck bringer.

For every kiss you take under the mistletoe a berry must be picked and when all are plucked the privilege ceases.

If you find a bit of red ribbon or red wool amongst your presents (especially wool), you will have luck in love. Be sure to wear the trifle while you make your wish.

If you want a "Happy Christmas" put more into it than you take out.—Montreal Herald.

COTTON GROWERS OF SIKESTON DISTRICT!

Wet cotton cannot be ginned profitably. Wet seed will rot.

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We have a great music-loving public in our city, and the coming of "Firefly" will be hailed with delight.

OFFICERS RECOVER STOLEN ROADSTER MONDAY MORNING

The Ford roadster belonging to Bill Haman, which was stolen from in front of the People's Bank Building Saturday night, was found Monday eleven miles south of town on Highway 61, near the Noxall lane. The car had not been abused and still contained a quantity of gas when found, but the feed pipe was choked up, which probably led it to be abandoned.

SCHUELER WINS CASE AGAINST McINTOSH

A jury in justice court Monday afternoon, found for the defendant, A. Schueler against George McIntosh. The latter was slightly injured some weeks ago, when Schueler's car ran into a mule which McIntosh was riding.

A suit to recover damages for the animal is still pending and will be held Wednesday. Waggoner , owner of the mule, attached Schueler's car immediately following the accident, and the latter countered by having Waggoner post a $200 attachment bond.

BANKERS SEE BETTER TIMES FOR FARMERS

St. Louis, December 13.—"Sales of farms by the Federal Land Bank of St. Louis during the first eleven months have compared very favorably with those of a like period in 1927" stated H. Paul Bester, President of the bank when discussing the farm loan business with the representatives of the local Natinoal Farm Loan Associations of Eastren Missouri who are meeting here in the Planters Building in a two-day session with the bank officials. "Throughout the entire territory in which the bank makes loans—Missouri, Arkansas and Illinois—sales were made at prices fully as high as they would have commanded a year ago, and in some instances higher. Good farms, well located, are in demand again. We have noticed particularly a better demand for farms adapted to live stock or dairying. The farms which the bank has for sale have come to it in making 35,000 loans amounting to $108,000,000 over a period of 12 years. It has acquired only 50 farms from loans made during the last six years, during which time it has doubled its loans outstanding. We have at present about 208 farms, but considering the number of loans outstanding the percentage of farmers who have not been able to make the grade on their installments is gratifyingly small, particularly when we recall the distress caused by floods and other unusual conditions in this territory in the last few years.

In discussing ways and means whereby the 421 local National Farm Loan Associations in this district can be of more service to farmers during the coming years, Mr. Bester said: "Farmers are now obtaining long-term amortized loans at lower rates than city dwellers are having to pay for loans upon their city property and for less than industry is paying for its borrowed funds. The majority of borrowers tell us that they can pay our installment of $30 semi-annually, which includes the interest and the amount applied to reduce the loan, and still save money compared with the rate they have paid upon short-term loans. This rate, 5 per cent interest, is as low as we have been able to obtain in the whole 12 years in which the bank has been operating". Mr. Bester announced that these farmers who borrowed the first year the bank made loans have now saved and paid off approximately one-third of their loon in addition to the advantage of getting the money at 5 per cent.

O. J. Lloyd, Vice-President and Secretary, stated that the bank had closed, through the local associations in its district, so far this year. 3270 loans, amounting to $14,096,000. 'The total lonas made in the last 11 years in the district covered by this meetnig are 3515 amounting to $11,866,-700", said Mr. Lloyd. 'The 12 Federal Land Banks, of which ours is one, have loans outstanding of $1,-300,000,000 to approximately 400,000 farmers located in practically every agricultural county in the Union. This army of farmers is saving at least $26,000,000 in interest annually because of these long-term, low interest bearing loans".

"A better day for the farmer has arrived", declared W. W. Martin, a director of the bank from Missouri. "Secretaries should encourage farmers to stay with their 'game'. Real estate value in most of this district are headed upward. The farmer who sells now is sacrificing future profits, it seems to me". Mr. Martin told of sales of as much as 4000 acres of farm land in some counties in the last few months and how local associations are moving through local advertising.

Among those in attendance from the Lilbuorn National Farm Loan Association with headquarters at Lilbourn were J. H. Hoterman, secretary, and J. P. Stearns of Lilbourn. This association has been making long-term loans for the last several years, securing its funds from the Federal Land Bank of St. Louis. Its total loans now amount to about $129,700.

Those in attendance from the Morehouse National Farm Loan Association were Charles Albright, secretary and J. S. Wallace. This association has been making long-term loans for the last several years, securing its funds from the Federal Land Bank of St. Louis. Its total loans now amount to about $102,500. Farmers in this territory obtain loans from this association not only because of the low rate of interest, now 5 per cent, but because of the case with which they repay their loans. The semi-annual installment amounts to very little more than straight interest upon the amount borrowed.

Mr. and Mrs. David Lumsden spent Sunday afternoon in Poplar Bluff.

Mrs. Walter Holmes of Oran spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. David Lumsden.

The L. A. W. Class of the Christian church will meet with Mrs. J. T. Singleton Tuesday evening at 7:30. All members are urged to attend.

The Standard, $1.50 per year.

Shelbyville—Streets of this place being improved.

Mrs. Carl Pelz and little daughter of Cape Girardeau spent Saturday with Mrs. David Lumsden.

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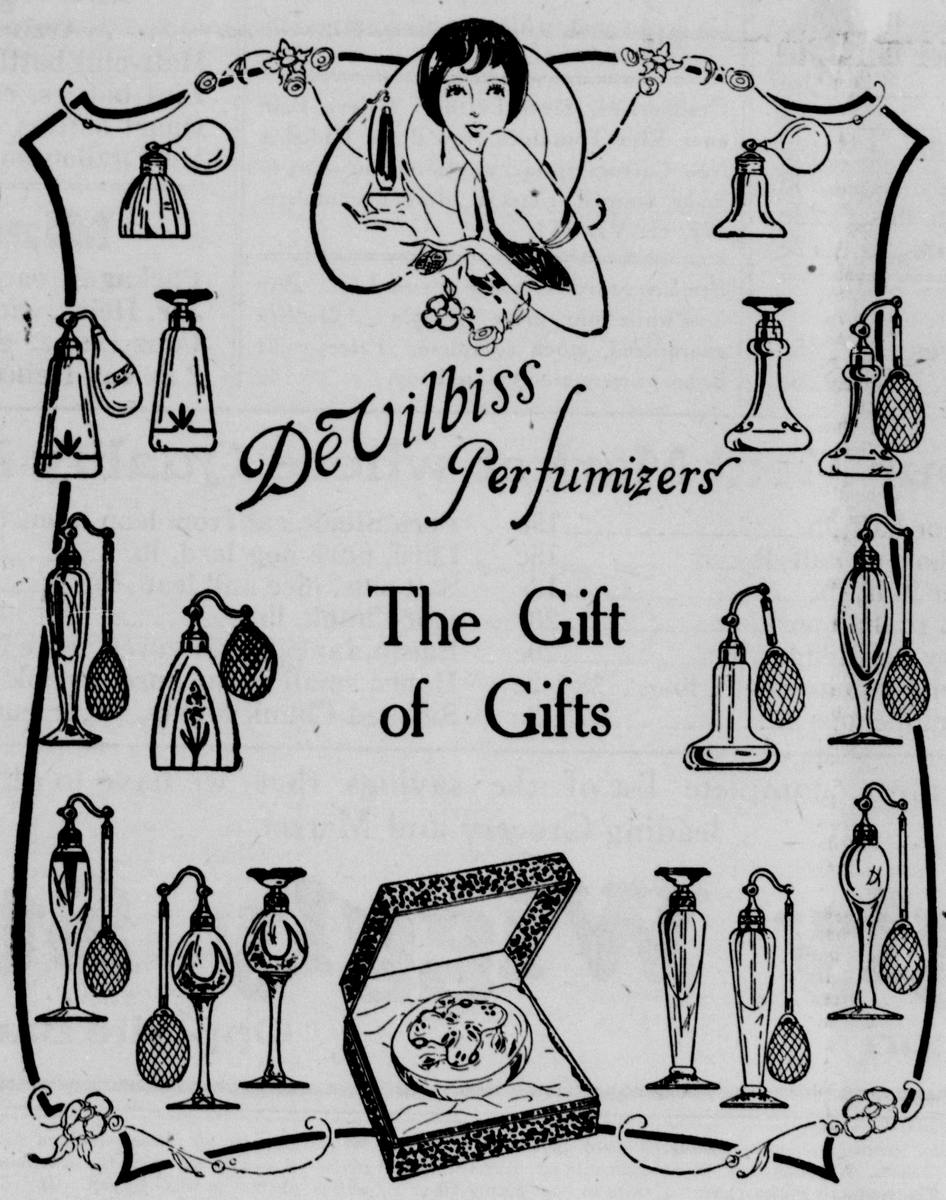
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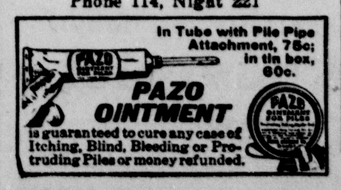
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The Christmas Shopper





MISS HEPPSIE'S Christmas turkey had disappeared and she had looked in every crook and crannie of the great old Padgett place, chiefly to reassure herself. She was indignantly sure that she knew who had taken her bird, although she had not really seen it go, for there had been hushed rumors of her neighbors' evil practices. Miss Heppsie had not listened very much. Lonely and prim, she lived in the house where her father was born. The changing world beyond her walls went by without her knowing, and the ill-reputed neighbors were strangers, except for an occasional glimpse of a horde of bedraggled children. And now she hated them.



Miss Heppsie Continued to Stare.

Miss Heppsie Padgett wondered what to do.

The sun set red behind the naked trees and cast long purple shadows on the snow of Christmas eve. It was too late to get another turkey. The array of pies and cakes, even the dressing, were waiting for the morrow, and it was the first time in the history of the proud old red brick house that Christmas time had been without a turkey. The more Miss Heppsie thought of it the angrier she became. Then on the wide front porch she heard the commotion of many footsteps and, presently, the thud of a timid knocker. Few visitors came to the Padgett house, so the parlor was dark and the heavy front door was bolted. Miss Heppsie opened it a trifle and, there, on her spotless porch, were a half-dozen ragged children, frightened, cold, unlovely, but bathed in the chastening light of the winter moon, and, carried on the back of one, was Miss Heppsie's Christmas turkey.

For a long, tense moment they looked at each other, the woman, the children, the turkey, then, quaveringly, but with a strange uplifted pride, the biggest of the children blurted out: "Maw sent it back." Miss Heppsie continued to stare. There was nothing encouraging in the steady gaze of her eyes but the boy went on: "Maw sent us out to swipe it but she changed her mind, I guess. She said it wouldn't taste good nohow, on Christmas, and we'd just have hominy and turnips, and apple sauce fer puddin', same as always. She sent yer turkey back 'cause, even if you didn't need it, really, 'twasn't hers." Suddenly the boy began to cry. "Gee, it must be grand," he sobbed, "to live in a big fine house like this and have turkey for Christmas dinner." Then, as if a great joy had come to him, he raised his head and smiled through his tears. "But we ain't goin' to steal no more. We ain't, not ever, 'cause maw, she said we wuzn't." The moonlight that fell on his earnest face erased the lines of hardness and left only a baby purity. Babies, surely, almost all of them were, huddled there together, strangely timid yet strangely strong in the humbleness of their confession. Across the night a song rang out, carolers bearing His message. "For whatsoever ye do unto one of the least of these—"

Suddenly Miss Heppsie saw her Christmas table, laden and she in selfish solitude, presiding at the feast. No love had ever stirred her heart at Christmas. And then she saw her feast again, with a group of happy faces round it, immersed in turkey and cake, and at the foot of the table, a mother who said, "We ain't goin' to steal no more." With a soft, choked cry, she opened her arms long empty, and into their warmth she drew the tangle of huddled, hungry, children.

Across the night a song rang out, carolers bearing His message, "Glory to God in the Highest, on earth peace, good-will toward men."

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BE MERRY AND KIND

AT CHRISTMAS be merry and
thanke God of all;
And feast thy pore neighbors, the great with the small,
Yea, all the yere have an ele to the poore,
And God will send luck to keep open thy doore.
—Sixteenth Century Carol.

MO. SPORTSMEN WOULD CHANGE DUCK SEASON

Exerps from the December Missouri Game and Fish News would indicate that efforts of sportsmen to change the present short season on wild ducks will soon be effective.

The conflict as now exists is between the Federal law and the restrictions imposed by the State. The former decides by law that the season in Missouri and Illinois should be September 16th to December 31st inclusive each year, while the State statutes extend the time from January 1 to April 30 and from September 1 to December 31.

When the United States entered into a treaty with Great Britain providing for the protection of migratory birds in the United States and Canada, it was specified that neither country would permit more than three and a half months of shooting, but each government would be entitled to designate the particular period during which it would permit shooting. Our federal government decided that the season in Missouri and Illinois should be September 16th to December 31st, inclusive, each year.

This puts these two States in the same classification as Wisconsin, Michigan, Minnesota, Iowa, Kansas, Colorado, Nebraska, South Dakota, North Dakota, Wyoming and Montana. The southern States have a season beginning at a later date than that in Missouri and Illinois and extending beyond the first of the year. The Oklahoma season is October 1st to January 15th. Other southern States bordering on Missouri, namely, Arkansas, Tennessee and Kentucky, have a season running from November 1st to January 31st.

It will be seen, therefore, that Missouri is farther south than any of the other States in the Mississippi Valley that have no January hunting. The southern part of Missouri, where the cotton fields bloom, has conditions not unlike that of other southern States, so far as migratory birds are concerned. These conditions have aroused sportsmen to clamor for a change in the season that will permit them to hunt during all or a portion of January, when ordinarily the duck shooting conditions are favorable. A similar situation exists in Southern Illinois.

A letter from Keith McCanse to Hon. Paul G. Redington, Chief Bureau of Biological Survey at Washington, carries out the same line of argument:

"When we come to that part of Missouri south of the Missouri River, which is, from the standpoint of both territory and population, greater than north Missouri, there will be practically unanimous opinion of all hunters who hunt in this region to the effect that the migratory bird season should be later than it now is. As a matter of fact, southern Missouri has been greatly discriminated against in this respect. Of all the States in the great Mississippi watershed, Missouri is the farthest south of any of those whose shooting season closes as early as December 31st. In Missouri's sister States to the south the hunting season extends either to January 15 or January 31. The extreme differences in condition in Missouri must be taken into consideration. While northern Missouri is representative of the great corn belt, yet the southern part of our State has the cotton fields of the old south. While the farmers of north Missouri are using bob-sleds, at the same time the piccaninnies along the Missouri-Arkansas line are going barefooted.

Orignally when your Advisory Board decided upon the seasons for hunting migratory birds, all conditions in the United States could not, of course, be taken into consideration, but it seems now since you have had the opportunity of viewing the practical operation of the seasons in various territories that obvious injustices, such as that existing in southern Missouri, should be corrected.

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Circus Peanuts, per lb.	17½c
Jelly Beans, per lb.	17½c
Christmas Mixed, per lb.	17½c
Mint Pillows, per lb.	17½c
Marshmallows, per lb.	17½c
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Maxwell House, per lb.	50c
Blanke Old Style, per lb.	55c
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Pecans, per lb.	22c
Mixed Nuts, per lb.	25c
Peanuts, Jumbo, per lb.	15c
Hickory Nuts, per lb.	3c
Cocoanuts, large ones, each	5c to 8c

Peaches No. 2½ cans, heavy syrup	22c
Peaches No. 2½ cans, own syrup	17 1-2c
Peaches No. 2 cans heavy syrup	12 1-2c
Pears, California Bartlett, lg. cans	26c
Pineapple sliced, large cans	28c
Apple Butter, large cans	20c
Muscat Grapes, large cans	25c
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Pork Chops, nice lean, small chops	27 1-2c
Pork Steak, cut from lean hams or shoulders	27 1-2c
Lard, pure hog lard, lb.	14c
Salt side, nice and lean, lb.	17c
Salt Chunk, lb.	13 1-2c
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TUESDAY MORNING

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HOOP TEAMS SPLIT HONORS

The Sikeston basketball teams, playing a pre-season game with the Bloomfield high school last Friday night at Bloomfield, divided honors, the boys dropping their season opener and the girls coming back with the bacon. The girls played first, and against odds, but easily walked away with a 34 to 11 victory. The odds consisted of a 2-division instead of the customary 3-division court.

The first team consisting of Helen Baker, who incidently led the scoring for the girls with 17 points, Margaret Baker, who added six more, Capt. Nell Littleton with 10 points to her credit, G. Conley, Margaret Whidden and Imogene Albritton played to the half and left the court to second team girls with a safe margin of 22 points. The score at the half was 28 to 6. Whidden stayed in at the half, being shifted from running center to jump center. Trousdale, J. Baker, L. Reiss, R. York, G. Frey and Whidden, comprising the relief squad, made a fine showing and ended the game with a 34 to 11 score.

The score for girls' team:

Sikeston	FG	FT		T
H. Baker, f	8	1	0	17
C, Trousdale, f	0	0	2	0
M. Baker, f	3	0	0	6
J. Baker, f	0	0	0	0
N. Littleton, Capt., j. c.	5	0	1	10
L. Reiss, r. c.	0	1	0	1
G. Conley, g	0	0	0	0
R. York, g	0	0	0	0
M. Whidden, g, j. c.	0	0	0	0
I. Albritton, g	0	0	0	0
G. Frey, g	0	0	1	0
	16	2	4	34

Bloomfield	FG	FT	F	T
B. Parker, f	1	1	0	3
N. Trotter, f	1	0	0	2
Moore, f	1	0	0	2
W. Sorrell, j. c.	2	0	0	4
L. Foster, Capt. g.	0	0	1	0
N. Miller, r. c.	0	0	3	0
O. Colyer, g	0	0	1	0
Brannock, g	0	0	0	0
	5	1	5	11

The boys lost a clean, hard fought game and have no alibis to offer. The loss of this game by a seven-point margin is charged to experience, for only one letter man, Watson, played in the game Friday night. Nolan White is still sick with flu, and McDonald is laid up with a bad ankle. Bloomfield took a 2-1 lead at the end of the first quarter and gradually increased it to 17-10. At the half, the score stood 9-4 and at the end of the third quarter 13-6.

A play-by-play score sheet which marks each player attempting a basket, shows clearly that the locals are weak on actually making their shots count when the opportunity presents itself. Out of 27 attempts, the Bulldogs made only four baskets or eight points, while the Bloomfield hoopsters attempted 43 shots for a total of 16 points. The locals, however, made a slightly better showing on free throws, scoring twice out of seven attempts to one out of six for the opposition.

The material is fine this year and just needs brushing up defensively. They managed to break through frequently but made few shots good, and also allowed too many shots for the other team. The following score sheet gives the attempted field goals, actual field goals made, attempted free throws, actual free throws made and fouls:

Sikeston	AFG	FG	AFT	FT	F	T
J. F. Cox, f.	4	0	0	0	2	0
G. Doss, f	0	0	0	0	0	0
R. Daniels, f	4	1	0	0	1	2
Capt. Watson, c	19	3	6	2	2	8
R. Mow, f	0	0	0	0	1	0
S. Jones, g	0	0	0	0	0	0
S. Brewer, g	0	0	0	0	0	0
A. Hayden, g	0	0	1	0	0	0
	27	4	7	2	6	10

Bloomfield	AFG	FG	AFT	FT	F	T
R. Colyer, f	9	3	0	0	1	6
J. Brannock, f	9	1	1	1	1	3
Reynolds, f	2	0	0	0	0	0
C. Eaton, c	17	4	3	0	1	8
Capt. O. Moore, g	4	0	2	0	4	0
C. Capps, g	2	0	0	0	1	0
R. Brannock, g	0	0	0	0	2	0
	43	8	6	1	10	17

Referee: Reed. Both Sikeston teams will be in action at the high school gym this coming Friday night against Malden. Game will be called at 7:30.

"ARMY" NEGRO, FIGURES IN HARD LUCK DRUNK CASE SUN.

The hard luck experience for the week goes without protest to "Army" negro porter at a local hotel. "Army" was picked up in a more or less groggy condition by officers Sunday evening, and was hailed into police court on a charge of being drunk. Judge Myers assessed his fine and costs at $8. Shortly thereafter another officer took the same culprit to the Justice of the Peace court of Judge Smith, where a fine of $6 and a 30-day jail sentence was assessed.

BOONVILLE SHERIFF INDICTED

Boonville, December 15.—Sheriff P. B. McMahan of Cooper County today was arrested by County Coroner Herman Schitzky on a grand jury indictment charging embezzlement. McMahan was indicted on six counts by the grand jury which was discharged this week.

McMahan is alleged to have collected several hundred dollars in fines and kept the money instead of turning it in to the county school fund. In the sale of land at foreclosures, it was said, he failed to turn in all the money collected. The total amount is estimated at $2000. McMahan gave $1000 bail for his appearance at the February term of court. His term of office expires January 1.

SURPRISE BRIDGE SHOWER

Mesdames J. L. Matthews and Chas. Lindley entertained with a surprise bridge shower for Miss Georgia Jennings, at the home of Mrs. Matthews Saturday afternoon. Miss Jennings will become the bride of Harold Hebbeler of Cape Girardeau, the latter part of this month.

Honorable Bankrupts

Recent bankrupt notices in this section included that of the Hunter Land & Development Co., of Benton, who have liabilities of $775,000 and resources of $1,258,000, consisting principally of land and land securities. The Hunter family is one of the oldest and most honorable in Southeast Missouri. Their bankruptcy is not due to plunging, riotous living or speculation, but to the deflation and collapse of agriculture and agricultural securities. This family, along with the Marshalls, Matthews, Heisserers, Stubblefields and others, were the pioneer land holding families in Southeast Missouri. Their reverses are reverses of the nations as well as of individuals. They all have the best wishes of those familiar with the true situation in this district and no disgrace is connected with their failures. —Chaffee Signal.

They Serve It Strong In Illmo

Pink Limbaugh, in the Jackson Cash-Book says, "two bottles fixed him". If he would drop around Illmo he would find that a half bottle would fix him.—Illmo Jimplicute.

Yea verily, and if he happened to tackle Sikeston for one of his fixin's he would probably be fined twice in one evening.

Miss Barbara Beck returned from Columbia, Sunday morning.

Mrs. M. M. Beck was called to St. Louis Sunday to be at the bedside of her mother who is ill.

S. P. Loebe and daughter, Miss Dorothy, of Charleston, were visitors to Sikeston, Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Dave Thompson of Caruthersville were guests of Mr and Mrs. J. L. Matthews, Sunday.

FOOTBALL STAR IN HOSPITAL

Frank Case, Jr., star football player of Poplar Bluff high school, was taken to the Lucy Lee Hospital Saturday evening in a very critical condition. Infection developed from what appeared at first to be a minor bruise on one of his legs, has complicated matters greatly and doctors have expressed concern over his condition.

Mrs. Randol Wilson will entertain the Tuesday Bridge Club Tuesday afternoon.

Mrs. A. W. Wylie returned Saturday from a very pleasant visit of two weeks with her children in St. Louis.

OPPOSE TEN PER CENT VALUATION INCREASE

Benton, December 12.—The Scott Counyt Board of Equalization and a delegation of farmers and land owners of the county will go to Jefferson City, December 17 to appear before the State Board of Equalization and the Missouri Tax Commission for a hearing on land assessment valuaiotns for tax purposes in Scott County.

If an additional 10 per cent is added to present valuation of the county's land, as the State Board of Equalization at Jefferson City recommended earlier this year, it will give Scott County land an increased assessment valuation of $900,000. The Scott County Board and land owners do not want to recognize the higher valuation.

Members of the county Board of Equalization are Anton Legrand, J. W. Heeb, and Geo. Buchanan. Judges of the County Court: J. S. Smith, County Clerk and Geo. Bean, Assessor.

WOMAN'S CLUB MEETING

The Woman's Club will meet with Mrs. E. E. Hudson Tuesday afternoon. Miss Maude Herring will be leader for the afternoon.

This store will be open nights all this week to accommodate Christmas Shoppers. We are showing a splendid line of Gifts for Men and Ladies as well as our Large Toy Department for Children.

THE BUCKNER RAGSDALE CO

Sikeston, Missouri

The Christmas Store

Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Slack went to St. Louis Sunday for a visit.

Miss Edna Mount returned to her home from Columbia, Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Al Dailey will occupy the McGee property on North Ranney street the first of the year.

Ralph Anderson left for St. Louis Thursday. He will visit with his family in Jacksonville, Ill., while away.

The ladies of the Catholic church will have a Lotto party at the home of Mrs. Antone Meiderhoff Wednesday afternoon.

Mesdames Wm. Payne, N. C. Watkins and C. L. Blanton and C. L. Blanton, Jr., were dinner guests of Dr. and Mrs. B. F. Blanton Sunday.

'WET COTTON BRINGS LOW PRICES'—GINNERS

Local cotton ginners, buyers and brokers have issued a warning to growers in a paid advertisement to the effect that wet cotton will cause a sharp decline in prices. The price was dropped as much as one cent a pound in nearby towns last Saturday for this cause alone.

The ginners point out that it is practically impossible to dry out cotton if it is snapped while wet. It cannot be ginned profitably while in this condition and the seed will rot, making it worthless. The only alternative left is to depress the price, because a bad sample means a very low grade bale. "Let it dry out on the stalk" is the sum and substance of their warning.

One farmer from a neighboring town brought in a large load of hulls and tried to sell it at one of the local gins for snapped cotton. It was bo't at a very low price. Another load of soaked cotton brought only two cents a pound.

The local buyers point out that they have made an effort to keep the price as high or higher here as any other gin in the vicinity; but if wet cotton continues to come in, they will be forced to lower the price accordingly.

The Standard, $1.50 per year.

C. P. COLEMAN FILES ROBBERY CHARGES AGAINST FOUR

C. P. Coleman, whose 'farm", two miles west of East Prairie, was raided last Tuesday by New Madrid County officers, entered a charge of highway robbery last Saturday evening against Malcolm and Tom Monan, Charlie Henson and "Happy" Cunningham. Coleman stated that he had been held up and robbed of $140 in cash and a gold watch Friday night.

New Madrid County officers made the arrests and the trial was set for Thursday, December 20, before Justice of the Peace, D. A. Childs at Matthews.

FAULKNER BADLY BURNED BY BATTERY ACID SUNDAY

Herman Faulkner, bus driver for the Gregory lines, was severly burned about the eyes and face Sunday morning, when a battery on his bus exploded while he was working about the machine.

The accident happened in St. Louis, and he is confined in a hospital there, according to word received at the local Union Bus Station. No other details were given.

LEWIS CARR LIKES THE ARMY

A letter was received from Private Lewis R. Carr, Troop B, 13th Cavalry, Fort Riley, Kansas, in which he states that he likes the Regular Army fine.

Carr also says that the mess is fine. "There are six large tables and china is used instead fo the mess kit. When a dish is empty, a waiter picks it up and refills it instantly and everybody gets all they want to eat".

At Fort Riley is located the Cavalry School and there is opportunity offered the enlisted men to take courses that will benefit them in the Service or prepare them with an occupation in civil life.

Many ex-service men from Sikeston will recall their service at that place while with the 89th or 10th Divisions ten years ago.

Carr expresses the hope that some of his friends will join the 13th and that he can help put them over the jumps.

The 13th Cavalry was organized in 1901, participated in the Border troubles, and has been stationed in the stone barracks at Fort Riley for the last few years.

BEING DRUNK DRAWS $30 FINE

George Holly, arrested Sunday evening on the charge of being drunk and disturbing the peace, pleaded guilty in Judge Myer's Court the same day, and was fined a total of $30.

Dear Santa:

I want a buggy and I want a cabinet and a little doll, and a hat.

ROZELLA HUBBARD.

Gareville, Ill.,

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a wagon and a ball, gun and a tool chest. I am a little boy thre eyears old. Please, Santa don't forget me.

BOBBY WEBB.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Brady of Camden, Ark., arrived in this city Sunday night to visit with Mrs. Brady's relatives until after the holidays.

Sam Brady, here from Camden, Ark., says 'Firefly" drew a crowded house in that city and everyone was pleased with the operetta.

Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Sauer and son, Ben Frank, of Glandale, Calif., who have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Sheppard, went to Jackson, Sunday, to visit with friends and relatives until after Christmas.

They came, they saw, they bought In fact, they actually carried the merchandise away in loads. Do you know where? Do you know why? At Pinnell's Store Company's Clearance Sale, which is now going on. Talk about prices, just come and see and we are sure you will spend your money.

GIVES LIFE HISTORY OF COMPOSER FRIML

Anent the coming of the season's musical event, "The Firefly", there is much local interest manifest in the author and composer, who has given us such world renown successes as "Rose Marie", "Firefly", "The Vagabond King", "The Three Musketeers", and other equally prominent.

Friml's rise to eminence as one of the foremost modern composers had its beginning in a humble home in Prague, Bohemia, in 1895, where the boy of 18 years, whose father worked in a bakery, flashed out his first original compositions on an accordion—music so inspiring that it tempted his father to buy him a cheap melodeon with the scanty funds which he and his wife had saved for their winter's supply of wood. When the father trundled the melodeon home on a wheelbarrow, Friml's mother threatened to smash it and burn it in place of the fuel so badly needed. She had no patience with the lad's muscial ambitions, but his father stood by him, and the owner of the bakery, after hearing the boy play, advanced the money to give him a course in the Prague conservatory.

Friml had as schoolmates Anton Dvork, composer of the "New World Symphony", a struggling lad like himself, and Jan Kubelik. These three worked together for six or seven years studying, composing, playing, earning a little money now and then by sem-amateur appearances. Finally, a local manager happened to hear them and started Friml and Kubelik on a concert tour, which was subsequently repeated for five successive seasons, (1901-1906). They trouped through the little towns of central Europe, half the time without enough to eat. Finally they got to Berlin and made a success. London followed, and it was there that Daniel Frohman heard them and signed them for a tour of American cities, where fame and fortune awaited them.

In rapid succession Friml produced "Katinka", (1915), "You're In Love", "The Blue Kitten", "Tumble Inn" and the brilliant operetta, "Firefly". His latest triumphs are "The Vagabond King" and "Rose Marie".

The Valentine Company presents "Firefly" in its entirety, just as given at the Empire Theatre, New York, by the Hammerstein Company, at the Malone Theatre Thursday, December 20th. Seats on sale at Dudley's.

ILLNESS OF LASLEY HALTS CHAFFEE MURDER CASE S[illegible]

Jackson, Mo., December 15.—After being advised that Coy Lasley was so ill that he would be unable to testify, Judge E. M. Dearing in Circuit Court here Friday ordered a mistrial in the hearing of Lasley, who is charged with complicity in the slaying 13 months ago at Chaffee of B. M. Hargett, a non-union Frisco railway brakeman.

The jury, which was impaneled on Wednesday, was finally discharged at 1:30 o'clock, after a recess of several hours during which Judge Dearing heard physicians' report on Lasley's condition.

Dr. D. G. Seibert, who with Dr. D. I. L. Seabaugh examined the defendant, said that Lasley is suffering from tuberculosis and that apparently he had sustained a nervous collapse. The tuberculosis is in advanced stage, the physician said.

AUXILIARY MEETING

The Auxiliary will meet Wednesday with Mrs. W. A. Anthony. All members are urged to be present.

Christmas Tree Entertainment

The Primary Department of the Baptist Church will have their Christmas tree and program at the church Friday afternoon. The mothers are cordially invited to come to this entertainment.



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SANTA CLAUS LETTERS

Dear Santa:

I am a little boy 6 years old and go to school. Am in the 2nd grade. I want you to please bring me a watch, a wheel barrow, a gun and any kind of clothes you think I need. There are six other children in our family besides lots other little children. Please don't forget anyone. I'll be a good boy.

Your friend,
CHAS. JOHNSON.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a good little boy. I am 8 years old. Well, I will tell you what I want for Xmas. I want a pair of boots, a bus and a toy airplane. Do not forget my sister. She's 13 years olds.

Dear Santa Cluas:

I have been a good girl. I am asking you to bring me a new dress, a raincoat, cap and umbrella, candy, nuts, oranges, apples, a story book and a large doll. I go to the Hunter School. My teacher is Mrs. Ancell.

Your friend,
RUBY MASON

Dear Santa:

I am writing to tell you what I want. I am 10 years old, and am in the sixth grade. I want a wrist watch and a new dress and a story book. I go to Hunter School. I do not want you to forget my brother, sister, father and mother. Don't forget the little orphan children who have no mother or father. I have been a good little girl.

OLIVE TURNER

Dear Santa:

I am a little girl 9 years old. I am sending you a letter to tell you what I want for Xmas. I want a new pair of slippers and stockings and a doll, and any other things I need. Don't forget my sister and brother and the other little children. Be sure to come to our school and bring my playmates something. I go to Hunter School. My teacher is Mrs. Ancell.

SARAH EVELYN JOHNSON

Dear Santa:

I am a girl 11 years old and I am going to tell you what I want for Xmas. I want a doll and a pair of slippers and a pair of stockings and a story book and anything that you think I need. Don't forget my sisters and brothers and don't forget my mother and father and the little orphan children. I will be a good girl.

ELIZABETH GAIL JOHNSON

Dear Santa:

I am a litlte girl. I am going to tell you what I want for Xmas. I want a box of colors, a drawing book, a doll and a pair of stockings and anything else you think I need. Please don't forget my little brothers and sisters and my father and mother and also the little orphan children who have no parents.

LOLA ELIZABETH WYATT.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl. I live out in the country north of Sikeston. I am writing a letter to you to let you know what I want for Christmas. I want a wrist watch, a new dress, apples, oranges, candy and all kinds of nuts. I think Xmas is the best holiday of the year because it is Christ's birthday. Please don't forget mother, father, brother and sister.

Your little friend,
JOHNSY TURNER.

Dear Santa:

I am writing a letter to you to let you know what I want for Xmas. I want a doll, doll bed, a new hat, nuts and candy. Please don't forget mother and father.

Your little frined,
DELLA MINYON TURNER.

Dear Santa:

I have been good and want an automobile, cap gun and don't forget my brother and sister. They will be pleased to get anything. I want you to bring some fruit, candy and nuts.

CLAUDE STUBBLEFIELD.

Dear Santa:

Please bring me a doll, doll buggy, a writing desk, dishes, hammer, table and chairs, stove, coal bucket a little cooking set. I am a little girl 5 years old.

EVELYN MASTERSON.

Dear Santa:

I am nine yaers old and am in the fifth grade. Will you please bring me a ring, a bathrobe, a set of dishes, some roller skates and a pair of house slipper? I have been a good girl. Please don't forget my friend, Herman Henry.

Your little friend,
BETTIE LOU SIMPSON.

P. S.: Don't forget some candy and nuts.

Blodgett, Mo.

Dear Sir:

Please send me something for Xmas and remember my two little sisters, one is 8 years old and the other one is 3. We will thank you for anything you give us, because we need help. My age is 12 years old.

WEATHERBY THOMPSON.

Blodgett, Mo.

Dear Santa:

I have been a good girl and I want you to please send me a coat, shoes, candy, fruit and nuts. And don't forget my two sisters and three brothers.

ROBERTIA BCLIAR.

Dear Santa:

Please bring me a little wagon my size as I have never received a present from you.

Your little friend,
ALFRED DOBBS.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl, 8 years old and in the fourth grade at school. I have tried to be good this year, so please bring me a nice doll, a pair of skates, a nice fountain pen, and a little sewing machine, and plenty of candy, fruits and nuts. I hope I haven't asked for too much for I want you to have plenty of toys to give to other little children. I also have a little sisters, so be sure and don't overlook her. I am expecting you to be at our Xmas tree, so be sure and come.

Your little friend,
OVEIDA BOARDMAN.

Dear Santa:

I will write you what I want. I prefer a punching bag and a pair of gloves so I may make a man out of myself. Remember all children.

MILTON D. MOORE.

Will you please think of me this year. I am 3 years old and will be glad for a wagon I can ride in. Please think of other children.

Yours,
FRANKLIN DOBBS.

Matthews, Mo.

I am a good little boy and I am in the 12th grade. I take typewriting and can write sixty words a minute for fifteen minutes. I want you to bring me a portable typewriter, royal blue color. And a nice looking little girl, who treats me like they ought to. Please Santa, don't forget Leola, Lester and Genevieve, too.

Your lovingly ever,
Wm. "KNUTE" ROBERTS.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want you to bring me a set of dishes, some aluminum cooking utensils, a doll, a hat box for my dollie's clothes; a little lamp and please bring me lots of candy, apples, oranges and nuts.

Your little friend,
ALFREDA LYNN.

Dear Santa:

Bring me a football, some toy cars, automatic cap pistol, lots of caps for my pistol, a stopper gun, candy, apples, oranges and nuts. I will be pleased with anything else you want to bring me.

Your friend,
HAROLD LYNN.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want you to be sure and remember me and all my friends this year. I don't want much, Santa. Just a big walking and talking doll, sweater, sewing set, tea set, new socks, candy, mixed nuts and fruit.

I live with my grandmother and sister here. My daddy lives in Chicago and he said that he knew that Santa would be sure and bring me the doll I want and everything. I am seven years old and I am in the second grade. I try to be good all the time.

Your little friend,
MONTEEN McCANN.

Blodgett, Mo.

Dear Santa:

I am a little colored girl and I learn that you had some presents and I want a dress and a doll and a pair of shoes, No. 5, and a hat, a pair of silk stockings and some fruits, candy and nuts, a coat and doll bed, a stove, a ring and a pair of gloves and a comb, and some beads.

RUTH BELL

Blodgett, Mo.,

I am a little colored boy and I heard that you had some goods and I want a pair of shoes, No. 6 and a pair of pants. My age is 14 and I want a pair of stockings, a cap and a blue shirt and some fruits, candy, a color box, a coat, sweater, a Sunday shirt, and my father says he wants a pair of pants, shoes, and sox. Please remember us, Santa.

HENRY BELL

Blodgett, Mo.,

Dear Santa Claus:

I saw in the paper where you were advertising your candy, send me a box of it please. I am a little colored boy, age 12. Send me a overcoat, shoes, a pair of socks, some nuts and fruit, a cap and I see where if I write Santa I will get what I want. Dear Santa please send me what I want as it is in my letter all I want.

MICHOR BELL.

Dear Santa:

Send me a pair of trousers, a cap, sweater, shirt, tie, pair socks, candy, fruits, nuts and a football. I am in the 8th grade and trying to go to high school now if I can get ready. I am a colored boy at the age of 16 years Santa. Please remember me and my brothers and sisters that are writing you, too. It's a large family of us, so this is all for this year, Santa.

Yours,
THOMAS N. BELL.

Blodgett, Mo.

Dear Santa:

I been reading what other children are asking you for in Mr. Blanton's paper. I think it is so nice of him to tell you what we want and need. I didn't have no stamp last week, so I borrowed one, as it rained and we can't get to work on the account of rain. But Santa I am a colored boy, age 13, in the third grade. I need a hat and coat, a pair of shoes. I wear a 5 and I want some stockings so I can go to school and my brother Hunter, he needs shoes, too. He wears a ... He is 15 years old, and my little brother, Lacy, is 8 years old. He wears abzout a ten and a half. Now Santa, don't forget us this time. We lost all our crop and our father and mother are sure enough poor, for there are ten of us in the family. My sister Martha said to bring her a doll and stove, bed and fruits and candy and nuts and my little sister will be glad to take whatever you bring her, but Santa if you please, send our shoes Saturday before Xmas for I need them now. My teacher will have a program the 24th and I want to go. Write me if you will send them. I meet the mail. I am good, but awful poor. I hope I am not asking too much, Santa. Goodbye.

WILLIE ROBERTSON.

Men will take the liberty to tell you how to run a paper, when they would not think of hinting to the merchant how to conduct his store or tell the preacher what to preach. They pay money for schools, and don't know whether Jimmy is learning the rule of three or how to hold a cigarette gracefully, but when it comes to the newspaper, there's where they all get off. During the past week a friend wanted to know why we did not try to run a paper a little more along the lines of how Christ would run a paper. We don't know how that would be. In the first place, if Christ was back on earth we don't believe that he would go into the newspaper business at all. There is not an editor or a preacher that could tell the whole truth for thirty days and stay in the community in which he lived. If our friend doubts this statement, let him try telling the absolute truth just one week and see where he lights.—Ex.

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Ocean-hoppers and good-will cementers are requested not to come to New York for welcomes until further notice. Wall Street cannot spare any ticker tape just now.—The New Yorker.

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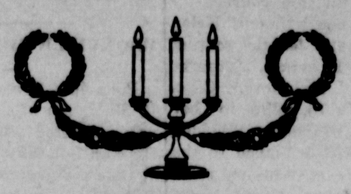


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SHERIFF GRISSOM DESTROYS STILL

Officers Dump 100 Gallons of Xmas Cheer In Raid Near Matthews

Tuesday morning Sheriff Grissom and deputies J. J. Greer and Sam Stevens with a Constable from East Prairie raided the P. T. Coleman place about six miles east of Matthews and got 100 gallons of whiskey, destroyed a distill and 1400 gallons of mash.

Sheriff Grissom drove up to the place, deputy Stevens saw Coleman coming from the barn, so he walked out and started a conversation and Sheriff Grisson then crawled out of the car and they placed Coleman under arrest. The house and barn were searched and here they found one hundred gallons of whiskey. They then proceeded to the still where Dick Ward was found busying himself about getting ready to run off another batch. They were all loaded up and brought to Matthews where 30 gallons of whiskey was poured out.

The place had been giving the officers trouble for two years. Coleman demanded an immediate trial and was arraigned before 'Squire Chiles and was fined $200. Ward, was placed under bond and bound over to Circuit Court.

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RED CROSS FUND $944.58 IN COUNTY

Collections in Scott County during the annual Red Cross drive which ended officially Thanksgiving Day, amounted to $944.58. Memberships this year number 846, but several donations in excess of the usual $1 membership charge bring the total amount to over $900. Of this amount, $401.08 will be kept in the County for poor relief, according to Chairman Ned Matthews.

The memberships in Scott County towns follow: Sikeston 574, Morley 11, Benton 32, Commerce 13, Blodgett 26, Illmo, Fornfelt and Ancell 34, Chaffee 111, Oran 45.

$650 In Mississippi County

The total membership obtained from the annual Red Cross roll call for Mississippi County was 515. There were 492 annual memberships; 22 contributing memberships at $5, and one sustaining membership at $10. There were donations of $36.75, making a total of $648.75. Of this, $257.50 (the National Rde Cross gets 50 cents of every annual, contributing and sustaining membership) goes to the national organization and the remainder, $391.23, is retained by the local chapter.

SENSENBAUGH TELLS OF A TRACTOR THAT WAS "JINXED"

Arba Sensenbaugh, father of the two local Sensenbaugh brothers spent Saturday with the boys here. The elder Sensenbaugh is able to walk about again following a very unusual accident ten weeks ago. He was demonstrating a tractor at a Louisiana Fair when he slipped under the machine. He managed to squirm around and throw the machine out of reverse, and into forward. His action saved his life, but his right leg was severely injured.

Mr. Sensenbaugh jokes about the matter now, saying that particular tractor is "jinxed". Following the accident, the machine was loaded on a truck and was being hauled to a nearby city. The truck, canted over to one side on a slick road and turned the tractor up-side-down in the ditch. After making certain necessary repairs, the same tractor was sold to a farmer, and a negro was instructed how to run it. The colored farm hand plowed with the machine the first day, but when driving it into the barn, which was being used for a machine shed, the driver was stricken with stage fright or something and forgot how to throw out the clutch—the tractor rambled on and took the other side of the barn with it.

GOOD MUSIC FOR AMERICANS

In musical circles there has been a lot of fuss of late—a sort of bubbling or fuming over of clashing opinions in regard to whether or not our perfectly good English language lends itself properly to musical expression. The opponents of this astounding question aver with ercited emphasis, but with a straight face, that the physical organism with which a divine Providence endowed her children, limited this "organism" to the singing of the "beautiful liquid tones" of the Italian or French or Spanish tongues.

To anyone who is unbiased, the very idea is absurd! However, it is a decidedly live issue in this country, and one which would seem to demand the respectful attention of everyone who is interested in our musical education, and this means, it seems to me, the every American mother and father should be interested in the subject for their children's sake. American musical expression needs encouraging. It needs to be lifted out of the school of jazz—it needs to be awakened to its larger possibilities. And anything that will help to accomplish this good purpose is helpful and good.

American Opera for Americans is our slogan—our best loved operas, adequately presented in English and by our own people is a right idea. Mrs. Rockefeller McCormick sponsored a special performance in Chicago last winter, of 'Carmen" in English. The principal parts were all sung by 100 per cent Americans, although the supporting company belong to a Spanish organization. It was an experiment—yes, but what brilliant affair! Every critic in Chicago had to admit that it was not only a distinct success, but a most artistic and enjoyable performance. It was the first time in the writer's recollection that all of the husbands remained awake throughout the entire performance.

And now comes an American girl—May Valentine, with an all American Opera Company, singing in plain English, that loveliest of lovely operas—"Firefly"—by Rudolf Friml, author of the world famous "Rose Marie", "The Musketeers" and "The Vagabond King". Here is a company of wholesome, young, ambitious American artists, under Miss Valentine's direction, to stimulate this right idea—American Opera for Americans. What are you going to do about it? Are you going to support and encourage it by attending, or will you permit this splendid organization—this right idea—to pass through our city unnoticed, and afterwards learn of the opportunity you have missed?

'IT'S A GIRL" AT THE NONAN HOMESTEAD; BORN FRIDAY IN CAPE HOSPITAL

Girls have been known to cause certain men to change their plans, but the infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank (Pat) Nonan, really started changing plans early in life.

The story goes that "T" Wilson and Pat himself had picked out a perfectly good boy's name for the expected arrival, only to have their well-laid plans go on the rocks, when a young lady arrived on the scene about 2 a. m., Friday morning.

Mother and baby are doing fine in the St. Francis Hospital, Cape Girardeau.

Pat's idea of a good Irish joke was to 'rouse his brother engineer Wilson from sound sleep very early Friday morning to notify him that a change in names was imperative. Mr. and Mrs. Nonan now have four children, two boys and two girls.

FINAL TRIP FOR CAPE STEAMER UNTIL SPRING

Benton, December 14.—Capt. Leyhe and his Cape Girardeau steamer arrived at Commerce Friday afternoon in the final trip for the season, for the Eagle Packet Company, St. Louis to Commerce. The steamer has gone into winter headquarters at Paducah, Ky., and will stay there and be reconditioned for the Mardi Gras in New Orleans next February. Capt. Leyhe has been on the river for almost thirty years.

The usual trips will start from St. Louis to Commerce the latter part of February.

GUY WIRE STOPS JEWELL IN PURSUIT OF LAW VIOLATORS

Chickie Jewell was stopped short and a law violator in another car made his getaway about 9:30 p. m. Friday, when the Constable's car became ship-wrecked on a guy wire at the corner of Kingshighway and Center Streets. Jewell was chasing someone east on Center Street. The law violator turned South onto Kingshighway and Jewell, in attempting to head him off by cutting across in front of Ancell brothers' filling station, became stranded on the guy rod. A wrecker from Boyer's garage affeeted a rescue, but the other person or persons escaped.

IT'S A GREAT LIFE

Running a newspaper is just like running a hotel only different. When a man goes into a hotel and finds something on the table which does not suit him, he does not get up and raise hades with the landlord and tell him to stop his darned old hotel. Well, hardly. He sets that dish on one side and wades into some of the many dishes that do suit him. It is different with some newspaper readers. They find an article occasionally that does not quite suit them exactly and without stopping to think it may please hundreds of other readser, make a grand stand play of their supreme asininity and hasten to stop their paper.—Bogard Dispatch.

Pointing Out Prosperity

A story is going the rounds that at a recent political meeting in Ozark County, just before the election, a Hoover speaker had just finished convincing the faithful that prosperity is here and closed his speech with a whoop. Just about that time one of the leading citizens of Gainesville jumped to his feet and asked the crowd to remain for a few minutes as they were going to sell a farm under a mortgage at the courthouse door.—Howell County Gazette.

Mill Employee Loses Little Finger

Kennett, December 14.—Bill Stafford, an employee of the Hemphill Lumber Co., who until Thursday operated one of the gang saws in the band mill, had the misfortune to lose the little finger of his left hand on Thursday afternoon, when he was caught in the friction of the machinery. When taken to town, the mangled member was dangling from the hand and the amputation was performed by Dr. Davis, assisted by Dr. Presnell.

SURE

'So your daughter is attending a co-ed college?" said the old friend.

"Yes", sighed the mother, "but I'm afraid most of the lessons she is learning are in the school of experience.—Cincinnati Enquirre.

An amateur gardener has succeeded in crossing cabbage with an onion. This adds another horror to the Christmas-gift cigar.—Punch.

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LOCAL NEWS FROM TANNER

Miss Buela Rogers visited her friend schoolmates, Thursday.

Eddie Conston and family are going to points in Arkansas to spend Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Hub Rodgers were shopping in Sikeston Saturday.

Mrs. Ruth Head was visiting her father at Crowder last week.

Lee Masters visited his son and daughter last Sunday.

Mr. Rodgers is troubled very much now by Maurin Latham.

Mr. and Mrs. Mrs. Willie Manley are visiting her mother, Christmas.

A. H. Hamlin is planning on a big Xmas. His son, Howard, and wife, Edna, daughter, Dessie and granddaughter, Leona, are coming down from St. Louis to spend Xmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Masters visited relatives in Sikeston Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ranom Sheery are the happy parents of a baby girl.

Miss Beula and Marvin Latham visited their sister and brother-in-law Sunday afternoon.

Miss Nadine Rodgers was shopping in Sikeston last Friday.

It is probable that the Democrats will not again take issue with such a strong combination as the full dinner-pail and the old oaken bucket.—Philadelphia Inquirer.

What has become of that fellow who was going to cancel his subscription to The Literary Digest because of the gross bias and inaccuracy, of its straw vote?—Mesa (Ariz.) Journal-Tribune.

YOUNG FARMER IS KILLED INSTANTLY

Bloomfield, December 13.—"Butch" Frederick, aged 21, well-known young farmer of the north part of this county, is dead as the result of an accident several days ago. He was sawing wood with a small saw when a governor on a flywheel caught in one of his pockets, hurling him against the ground several times. Death was instantaneous. He had been married two months.

The winner of a prize offered by an Italian journal for an unpublished comedy was found to be in prison. On the other hand, many authors of published comedies are still at large.—Punch.

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After having watched a football game played on a 2-inch deep mud field, the editor of the King City Chronicle says if he was in school he'd go out for checkers or something like that.

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Looks like the steel trust and ship building corporations were going to get a big appropriation for a big navy, and it also looks like the farmers were going to get promises of relief. Maybe they'll get relieved of a few more farms.—Shelbina Democrat

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Jewish parents have it all over their Gentile brethren at this time of year. They are not worrying about what to give the children for Christmas. Neither are htey worrying about hog killing. And if they make yearly settlements among themselves that worry is also past for they are now in their new year.—Shelbina Democrat.

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Apologies are not frequently found nor encouraged in The Standard, but this one, we feel, is due the public of Sikeston, the Missouri Utilities Co., and the editor of The Herald. The Standard has made a feeble effort by running several hundred inches of news and not a few editorial paragraphs since early this summer to the effect that light rates should be rdeuced in Sikeston, and that Sikesto might follow advantageously the lead of other progressive communities in owning its own light plant. We see, however, in the current issue of The Herald that all due honors for receiving the promised rate reduction are due wholly to the said gentleman of the press. We feel sure that the Sikeston public will recall seeing in The Herald a great number of scathing editorial paragraphs denouncint fearlessly and courageously the high rates of the Missouri Utilities Company. Our memory fails us, but the apology is nevertheless rendered herewith.

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The report on the Road Fund makes it clear that pedestrian is not to blame for motor accidents. This should be a great solace to him as he whizzes along in the ambulance.—Punch.

AS I SEE IT

By I'm About Town

"Isn't it marvelous to live in this wonderful age of radios when just a turn of a tiny dial at any hour of the day or night will bring in"—static? With apologies to the Montgomery Ward "Home Makers" hour, last Friday.

It's the little trings in life that cause most of the grief, wars and so forth. This was graphically illustrated the other night when two certain parties were working crossword puzzles. The young lady in question asked "What is a female sheep?", and the gentleman answere briefly 'ewe".

We won't mention any names, but the following story comes to us pretty straight. It seems as though a teacher was trying to put over the meaning of the word "slowly". To illustrate her definition, she walked across the room. Imagine her embarrassment when she asked a small youth how she had just walked and he answered, "bow-legged".

Well Chritma will $oon be here and old $anta Clau$ will again bring cheer into many homes in iketon and elsewhere. The New Year celebration$ will be in order and the payment of the bill$.

Which reminds us that theoretically the girls will have only a few more weeks in which to enjoy the privileges of Leap Year.

It Depends On Where You Look

I saw a young woman the other day who has been married four or five years and she was trying to get the baby to sleep and at the same time trying to settle a quarrel between her two old children. But finally she got the baby to sleep and the other children got in a good humor with each other and said their prayers at their mother's knee, and toddled off to bed. After they were all gone, the young mother said: "Such experiences as a mother has with three children will cause a girl to take her head out of the clouds". And somehow I thought with the remembrance of the two little prattlers lisping "Dod bless mamma", might put the head into higher clouds than many of us know anything about.—Omar Grey in Sturgeon Leader.

Our good friend and kinsman Edgar P. Blanton, of the Shelbina Democrat, points out in a recent editorial that the home town light plant was able to pay off some $20,000 in bonds, but htat a fellow citizen pointed out that the earnings were only $10,000. That's high finance alright, and we don't claim to be able to figure out just how it was done, but we would like to claim as much for our own city.

THIS WEEK IN MO. HISTORY

By Floyd C. Shoemaker, Sec'y.

Two hundred and forty years ago, December 18, 1638, the first white man entered the Missouri River and came up as far as the mouth of the Osage River.

He was Baron Louis-Armand de LaHontan, a French-Canadian soldier stationed at Montreal, who came down the Mississippi and up the Missouri River to the mouth of the Osage in the face of grave danger. Indian attacks, starvation and desertion of his men threatened him, but he did not falter.

LaHontan wrote a series of letters regarding his voyages which were published in two volumes on his return to France in 1703. The sixteenth letter of the series tells of his visit to the Missouri river as follows:

".....I took leave of 'em the next day, which was the 13th, and in four days time, by the helf of the Current and our Oars, made the River of the Missouris" (The Missouris were a tribe of Indians for whom the river was sometimes named and who lived near its mouth.) "This done, we ran up against the stream of that river, which was at least as rapid as the Mississippi was at that time and arriv'd on the 18th, at the first village of the Missouris, where I stopped to make the people some presents that procur'd me a hundred Turkeys, with which the people are wonderfully well stocked. After that we row'd hard against the stream, and landed next night near the second village".

A description of the village followed, then he continued ".....To be short, we re-embark'd that same day about two o'clock in the afternoon, and rwo'd about four leagues up the river, where we made the river of the Osages, and encamp'd by its mouth". (Osage here is believed to be the present Osage river).

It was while camped here that LaHontan says an accidental discharge of a gun sent attacking savage Indians to flight because they had never heard the report of a gun.

Historians do not agree on the truth of LaHontan's account, Houck, in his "History of Missouri" says, "The history of the voyages of LaHontan is generally considered entitled to little credence. Many of the statements with which he interlarded his narrative are undoubtedly pure fiction. Yet, it would be a mistake to reject his entire narrative, because certainly he saw much of the country and visited many of the Indian tribes then dwelling in the upper Mississippi valley. That he was on the Missouri river is evidenced by the fact that he mentions the various tribes that had their homes along this river when Bourgment and other French explorers afterwards visited this region".

LaHontan was born June 9, 1666 in LaHontan, France. His father died when he was eight years old and he inherited the title of LeBaron de LaHontan d'Esleich and a shattered estate. He was pledged from the cradle to militaryship, and as the third baron of the estate became a cadet in the famous Bourbon regiment. When three companies of French Marines were sent to America in 1683, Louis Armand, then seventeen years of age, was enrolled with them.

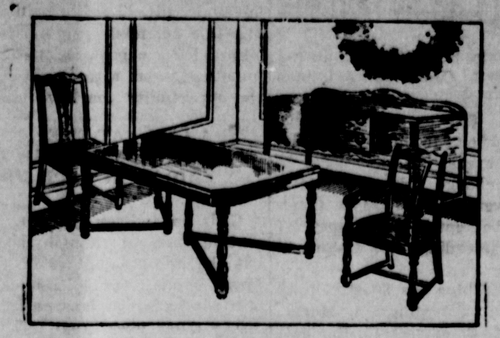
The legal status of his estate caused him to return to France after his voyages in America.

We're Going To Have Company

Now that the thieves have started moving us out by the truck load, there arises the old dispute about the advantages and disadvantages of a night watchman. The pros and cons seem equally divided and there seems no way of reaching a decision. Our hope is that the mud on the roads holds out until some action is taken, otherwise it is not improbable that some morning we will awake to find the town has been jacked up, put on wheels and hauled off to the Kansas City market.—Garden City Views.

We are having a damn sight of trouble with our dams. Not only does one break occasionally, but there is Boulder Dam which has, and is, causing Congress so much trouble, then Mrs. Willebrandt comes along and tells us our dam on the north against Canadian whiskey is leaking like a sieve. We note that Mr. Hoover is considering the possibility of transferring the prohibition enforcement from the Treasury Department to the Department of Justice, and in that event we can look to this esteemed layy to stop all the leaks on the north, as they will then come directly under her jurisdcition.—Jackson Cash Book.

We guess that just as soon as the Philadelphia police force gets thru arresting one another, the day's regular work commences.—Detroit News. Nature doubtless is grand, but it wasn't a very brilliant scheme to put most of the vitamines in things you don't like.—San Francisco Chronicle.











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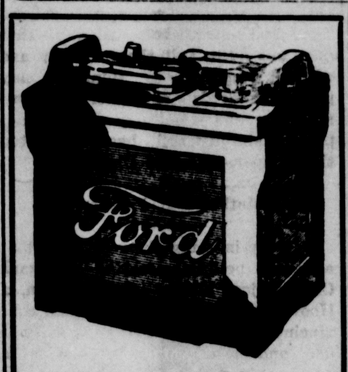
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THE CASE OF MRS. MILLER

Every newspaper in the country has produced columns of opinions on the recent life-time sentence meted out to Mrs. Etta Mae Miller under the Michigan habitual criminal law which automatically brings this penalty into play when a person has been convicted four times on charges of feloneis, and every newspaper seems to play up the 'medievalism", and "inustice" of the sentence.

Three States now have laws similar to the Michigan code, New York, Florida and Missouri, and the present case of the unfortunate Mrs. Miller, who is the mother of four living children, and the wife of a convicted bootlegger, is being foisted upon the people as an "injustice" of the rankest sort.

Perhaps it is, but there are questions involved which far transcend this one particular case. Mrs. Miller was convicted the fourth time for selling a few bottles of whiskey. Well and good, the prohibition law makes that act a felony and her conviction followed automatically. If that is an injustice, then let those who object, admit that prohibition is a failure, and not a felony. The law "clicks". It functions. It is one gratifying example of a law 'with teeth". Instead of allowing sympathy to rule, by amending the law to exempt certain crimes, make it apply in every State. If every bootlegger and every potential felon knew absolutely that he would spend the rest of his days in the work house or on a rock pile after the fourth offence, and that no mitigating influences, no appeals, no writs and no amendments to the law itself could save him, then we maudlin American sympathy howlers expect crime to decrease.

North Kansas City—Kansas City Power & Light Co. rejuvenates power plant here.

You might not believe it, but in some of our cities poverty is so great the people can't buy gasoline to drive to the soup lines up-town.—Council Bluffs Nonpareil.

S. P. Loebe not only has a newspaper monopoly at Charleston, but will soon be the only citizen to whom the city is indebted. Charleston' finances have been in bad shape for some time and judgments have been secured against it in a number of instances. Mr. Loebe through his public spirit agreed to take up the judgments and pay all outstanding bills at a moderate discount and to hold them until they can be redeemed by the city.—Jackson Cash-Book.

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CHAPTER X

Confessions

Trent was conscious of a certain restraint between him and Mademoiselle Dupin during the first few miles of the journey. She had made up her mind that she would not add to the many obligations she was under. And yet to broach the subject seemed ungracious. But at the apartment they were so rarely alone that here, aboard, was the only opportunity.

For his part, Anthony Trent was thinking how little he knew of this beautiful and accomplished woman and how much more he desired to learn. What, he wondered, was her early history?

The launch was a fast one, and soon overhauled a liner going through the harbor shipping at half speed.

"It's the Brabant," he exclaimed, and told the steersman to go as close to her as he could.

"I came over in her," Trent told the girl at his side, "and met a very decent sort of purser aboard. I've an idea I can use him if he is still there. She should be back here in exactly twenty days. I had a fearful quarter of an hour on that staunch ship when I left Dover." He told her of his interview with the inquiring purser.

"The tragedy with people like us," she said gravely, "is that there must always be the fear of such interviews."

"I know," he answered, a little gloomily. "That very thought is never far away from me. I can never be certain that some one hasn't devoted just as much thought to getting me as I have given to evading capture. I mistrust people on whom I ought to rely. I am invariably looking for motives. Sometimes I think I have slain the ability to enjoy people."

"Am I not to be trusted?" she asked.

"You are different," he answered. "You can understand because you have suffered too. That is why you and I should always be good friends. I know you will never go back to the old life. Yet how many men who have lived better lives than I could you convince? Collective prejudices send innumerable men back to the crime they want to escape."

"Didn't you enjoy the Grant house party?" she asked, after a silence.

"Not at first. In the beginning I felt every man was watching me suspiciously."

"We pay," she sighed, "whether in prison or out of it."

"All this isn't very cheerful, is it?" he returned. "I suggested this trip to keep you in good spirits, and we both drift into morbid moods."

He reached for his glasses.

"What do you see?" she asked.

"The good ship La Belle Alliance in the offing."

A number of small craft passed and repassed the stranded vessel. She lay pathetically on her side, a mass of rusty red and faded black. Apparently none of the Grant household was on the private beach.

"I wonder if Mrs. Grant will let me go back," said Mademoiselle Dupin when the launch was headed for home.

"Surely you don't want to go back?" he cried.

"Why not?" she answered. "I cannot remain where I am any longer. I shall never cease to be grateful for what you have done. Some day I may be able to repay you. I can never forget what you rescued me from. But you must see I cannot be a burden to you any longer.

"Burden!" he scoffed. "That is absurd." Nevertheless he saw that nothing would alter her. "If you must go I cannot hold you back, but please don't go back to Deal yet. That might upset my plans and bring suspicion on you. Do me this favor. Stay on with Mrs. Kinney until my scheme for Sutton succeeds or fails. You are putting me under obligations. He was morose and gloomy till you went there, and I want him at his best. Don't go back on me now," he pleaded.

"If I can believe I am helping you it is different," she said, "but I only suspect more of your generosity."

"Sometimes you have looked at me," she said, "as though you wanted to know about my past. I have felt it as strongly as if you had spoken."

"You cannot imagine how much I have wanted to know," he returned, "but I haven't any right to ask."

"I think I should like you to know. My father was Russian and my mother French. They died when I was quite young. For years I was at a convent in Paris. My guardian was a Colonel Ogilvie, who had been for a time in the Russian service with my father. There was very little money left from the estate. My father was suspected of liberal tendencies and his lands confiscated. Yet, when I joined Colonel Ogilvie and his friend Count von Schonbrunn in Cannes, it was given out I was an heiress. I was not yet eighteen. They took a splendid house for me, which was in reality a gambling establishment, although I did not know it. There is much money among the visitors to Cannes, Nice and Pau, and there was a vast profit in the house. The police broke up the establishment at Cannes. So we moved to Nice, where there was a scandal about crooked play. And so on in other cities. You may believe me or not, but I was kept in ignorance of this. I was convent-bred and had been taught obedience to my guardian. I married Count de Beaulieu before I was twenty. He thought I was an heiress, and my guardian and Von Schonbrunn thought he was the head of the rich branch of his family. Instead, he had nothing. When it all came to light, he left me. I had news of his death while you were staying in Old Westbury."

"I remember," Trent said. It was this death which had seemed to clear the way for her marriage to Captain Monmouth, the man who had repudiated her so strangely.

"After he left me, and I found out what sort of a man my guardian was, I joined the rest of them, knowing full well their way of life. I think I wanted to avenge myself on all men. I was in London for a season and then came here. You know what I was here. That is all."

Her story was very much what Trent had imagined it to be. Certainly she had more excuse for her career than he had for his. He believed her wholly when she said she had been for so long in ignorance of the men surrounding her.

"Are there any people over here, men and women with whom you were associated in the Riviera, who might recognize you?"

"That I cannot say. Colonel Ogilvie was killed in the war and so was Von Schonbrunn. The man who was my secretary in Old Westbury—you remember Edward Conway?—he is dead. Madame de Berlaymont, who was with me in Long Island, she is in prison in England for a long term of years. No, I think I am in no great danger, except from your police."

Lying back in her chair she stared out to sea. Trent wondered what of the past she was trying to capture—or forget. He would have given a great deal to know how much of her heart was filled by the two men she had loved. Probably she was a romantic girl when she met de Beaulieu and married him. The feeling had almost certainly been genuine. And then there was the ex-officer of lancers, Captain Monmouth. Perhaps in the bitterness of finding his pride greater than his love, she had put aside all thought of him.

"There were statements about you in the papers yesterday," she said, after a long interval of silence, "which interested me very much. There was a reference to a certain lady of rank to whom it was said you had been engaged."

"It was true," he said quietly. "Some day I may have the opportunity to tell you of the extraordinary circumstances which took me to her home."

"It was said that she died very suddenly."

"Yes," he said slowly, "that is true. I have never spoken of it before. I have never felt able to. Looking back it seems like a dream. You know what I had been. Well, I was taken into the heart of one of those old, exclusive English families who do not welcome strangers or open their gates to wealth. It was there I felt the agony of being trusted when I was not worthy. One can't fight off love. I tried to, but it was too big for that. I was safe there. I felt like a battered ship which has come unexpectedly into a sheltered harbor. Because I was a guest in such a home none suspected me or even inquired. Yet, my own country folk did, because I did not grace the pages of their social registers. . . . I wonder if anyone will be able to understand me when I say that I was thankful she died before she could find out the life I had led. A score of times I wanted to tell her, but she wouldn't listen. She thought I wanted to confess some conventional indiscretions such as gambling debts. It was not in her heart to believe the man she loved had been a professional thief. I do not mean she was too proud to believe that. Rather it was her love which had cast out all doubt.

"We were to have been married in a few weeks. We were riding together. She was a very daring horsewoman and put her hunter at one of those granite boundary fences they have in Cornwall. She had taken the leap before, but perhaps this was the moment when her beautiful life was marked to end. I am not a religious man, mademoiselle; I have been one who sneered and disbelieved; it was not any fear of hell that made me give up the old ways. It was to keep faith with her."

The woman listening said no word. She could see that to such a silent, reserved man as this the relief of being able to speak of what he had kept hidden was very great.

"And yet I am glad that she died then, for it would have broken her heart to find me out. Her father had great properties in Australia, and we were to have gone there to live. I think he knew there were secrets I dared not tell him. He was a very wise and sad old man. Sometimes I think we might have lived without the shadow falling on us. But this meeting of yours with Pierre Redlich reminds me of what might have been in store. I do not think I could ever have had complete rest of mind. There is a high sense of honor which will not permit itself to be betrayed even by love. . . . I realized that as I went into the church, my head bowed as a mourner, and saw weeping men and women there instead of wedding guests."

He did not speak again until the launch came to its dock.

At the door of the Central Park apartment he left her. "I don't feel like talking to them tonight. You have been very good to listen to me."

He pressed her hand and turned away abruptly.

CHAPTER XI

Trent Becomes a Producer.

David More returned to Fort Lee with a list of five houses which might suit his employer.

One of the five seemed to be exactly what Trent required. It was an old frame mansion of sixteen rooms standing in twenty acres of land. The rental was low because the absentee owner had allowed his property to get into a bad condition of repair.

To the west the gardens came to an end on a bluff, about twenty feet above the railroad. An iron bridge crossed the tracks from this bluff. There was a flight of steep steps, with a padlocked gate at the bottom which descended to the flat land by the Hudson side.

A feature of the place which seemed to impress Trent was a flower garden, a hundred yards square. In the center of this waste was an old ruined summer house. From this nothing of the house or road could be seen. In front of it was the broad river.

"I like privacy," Trent told the agent.

"You'll surely get it here," said the man. "You are not overlooked and you've no near neighbors. There's iron gates to keep the crowd out, and there's one of the few outlets to the river which is legally yours to use. I haven't a more desirable property on my lists. If you want to buy I can make you a very low price."

"I might even do that in six months' time," Trent said. The situation was delightful, and he had long been thinking about giving up city life. It would be a pleasing jest to make his home within a few miles of the famous prison.

It was plain the agent was impressed by Trent's way of doing business.

"I'd like to have you in this part of the world," he said. "Take it from me, this side of the river can't be beat for beauty and convenience. As to train service, there isn's such a good one anywheres."

Trent gave him a check to stem the flood of eloquence which was let loose.

"Are you able to leave the store for a couple of weeks, maybe more?" Trent asked More. "I want you to come here and have the place cleaned up. I don't want you to have your family here. You can get what you want at the local stores. Don't encourage tradesmen to call. Is that clear?"

"Absolutely," said More. "I'll keep 'em off, Mr. Trent. A little exercise won't hurt me now I'm all rested up."

"I shall be back in a few days. I want you to get here before noon tomorrow."

A quality Trent appreciated in David More was his lack of inquisitiveness. None of the unusual errands upon which Trent had sent him elicited surprise. His not to reason why.

It was three o'clock when Trent stopped before the brown-stone house where Clarke lived.

"Clarke," he said, after a short conversation, "did anybody ever tell you you looked like a cop?"

"It's been a godsend to me," he was told. "I could get through the police lines any time at all just on my face. Having to lick a bunch of cub reporters into shape began it. Why?"

There was a gravity about Trent's manner which he had not before revealed. "Have I ever asked a favor of you?" he demanded.

Clarke looked at him puzzled. Trent had done him innumerable good



"I Shall Be in the Soup," Trent Confessed.

turns, as this very house proved. He had asked nothing in the way of repayment.

"No, son, you never have, and you could have asked quite a plenty. What's on your mind now?"

Anthony Trent talked to him for ten minutes. Clarke interrupted him now and then with a pertinent question.

"Will I do it?" he said, when Trent finished. "Boy, you know d—n well I will."

"That's a tremendous relief," Trent said gratefully. "When everything is ready I'll phone you and send a car for you. Tell your wife you are touring with me if she seems anxious."

"You've got a hard assignment ahead," Clarke commented, "and there's a raft of difficulties to overcome. Suppose he doesn't come through?"

"I shall be in the soup," Trent confessed. "I'm not disguising the fact that this isn't exactly legal, but I feel we can pull it off. I wouldn't ask you and the others if I thought there was much danger. I'll admit the risk, though."

"He ought to be a tough bird," Clarke commented. "He got away with it all right at the trial."

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On the face of it, the Weems comedy seemed dead loss. But Trent had ideas concerning pictures which he did not share with his partner. It was to the Fort Lee studio he took his way after dinner. Weems was "shooting" at night, and the six-reel special would also be in course of production.

Trent spoke to the technical director.

"Which of those carpenters you're laying off do you recommend?" He had learned that with the completion of the feature's big sets not so many hands would be required.

"Those four," said the technical director. "Stafford, Clancy, Cleveland and Dale."

When Messrs. Stafford, Clancy, Cleveland and Dale were paid off they secured instantly other positions. They knew Trent had an interest in a production. They presumed he was to be one of the new lights in filmdom. They had seen many such in a heaven where comets and falling stars were common phenomena.

Stafford was the foreman. He was a superior sort of mechanic who aimed at being a technical director some day. There were conditions in this new job which were unusual, but board and lodgings, plus pay, seemed too good to peril with questioning.

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The Grant house party on his second visit was of a different character, as Anthony Trent recognized. Only Kathryn Holland remained of those who had been there before.

Less attention was given to lingering dinners and more to dancing and tennis. Payson Grant greeted Trent with effusion. He felt rather out of it with the younger men. He had played tennis only to find his wind was gone and his heart fluttering.

La Belle Alliance had been floated off on the highest tide of the year; she was undamaged and now in charge of harbor authorities. Investigation had discovered stolen property of all sorts. Redlich and his companions would not be brought to trial for some time.

One of the problems which perplexed Trent was how to deliver another of Sutton's messages to Grant without attracting suspicion to himself. It was unlikely that Grant would think one of his guests culpable; but there was always the possibility of it.

As before, he was struck with the lavish richness of the house and its appointments. It represented part of the fortune Sutton had amassed and laid at the feet of the woman who betrayed him. A lawyer had told Trent that her position was secure. The gift had been made freely and without compulsion. From the covert looks she continually gave Payson, Trent did not think the second husband was proving any more satisfactory than the first.

Under the steady influence of the stimulants Grant found he could not do without, he was developing a coarseness of face and manner which gave her increasing irritation. Before long she knew she would hate him. There were thorns with her roses.

The manner of delivering the third warning arranged itself with the ease Trent had come to associate with this campaign against the Grants.

One evening after dinner Kathryn Holland had complained of a headache, and he had taken her for a spin among the Lakewood pines. As the iron gates to the house were always closed, Trent got out of the machine at the curb on his return and opened them. While he was doing this a stranger passed and asked him in what direction Ahnelt hall was.

"I thought it was a holdup," said Kathryn Holland gaily. "What did he want?"

She saw that her escort was looking curiously at an envelope he held.

"His excuse was that he wanted to know where Ahnelt hall lay, but I think the real reason was to get me to give this letter to Grant. I wonder why he couldn't deliver it himself."

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Contentment is about eight parts laziness.—Atlanta Constitution.

Proverb, revised by Wall Street: What goes up must go up.—New York Evening Post.

Record is established by imports of rubber. This is getting to be a bouncing country.— Winston-Salem Journal.

One of these days we expect to read of a Hollywood actress who has been granted a divorce and the custody of the press agent.—New York Evening Post.

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BENTON, MO.

When he had put his car in the garage and joined the rest in the ballroom, Trent saw Grant from a doorway, beckoning him. Grant was looking wretched.

"Kathryn Holland says some one gave you a letter for me."

Anthony Trent put it into his trembling hands. Grant did not even thank him. Furtively he took it and disappeared.

In the library, where he could be sure of being alone and yet within the comforting sound of human voices. Payson Grant read the letter. It was Sutton's writing, as he had feared.

"You escaped that time through the unconscious intervention of one of your friends. But for that you would now be on your way to Buenos Aires in La Belle Alliance. If you doubt it, bring up the matter in court. I shall see you on the seventeenth. You have one way of escape, and that is full confession.

"F. W. S."

It was Albert Thorpe who informed Anthony Trent that Mr. Grant was overcome by the sultriness of the weather and had fainted in the library Mr. Grant would like to see Mr. Trent, if possible, for a few minutes.

"I'll go up at once," said the obliging Trent.

"It's about that letter," Grant said "I can't quite make it out," he confessed. "I suppose you didn't get a good look at the man's face?"

"I saw it quite distinctly," Trent answered readily.

Grant looked troubled.

"That's funny," he murmured "Kathryn said she couldn't recognize him at all; she only saw he was a big man."

"Miss Holland was in the machine, and could not see him. I saw him clearly because he was in the circle of light made by the lamp on the top of the gate-post. Anything wrong about the note? Black-hand threats, or anything like that?"

Grant shook his head and tried to smile.

"Nothing more than curiosity," he answered. After a pause, as though nerving himself for a shock, he asked what the stranger looked like.

"He was a man a little taller than you and a good bit broader in build. Rather a pale face. Sort of broken nose and sharp little gray eyes. I noticed he had a V-shaped scar over his left eye. Gave me the impression," Trent went on confidentially, "of being mentally unbalanced. Looked as if he needed a good square meal and a hair cut."

Through a mirror Trent watched the changes fear brought to the other's face. That Grant suffered pleased him; but that Grant's heart might be weak made him vaguely uneasy. There would be greater strains than this to bear.

"Did you recognize the man?" Trent asked.

"I wanted to see if I did," Grant said evasively. "It was a begging letter, and the police oughtn't to let people be annoyed like that. What's the date today?"

"The fourteenth," said Trent. "Anything I can do for you?"

"You might send Thorpe in."

When Thorpe came in his employer stared at him sullenly. "Do you still have the grounds searched every night?" he snapped.

"Yes, sir," Thorpe answered. "Also the house from basement to roof."

"You're too d—d careless to suit me," Grant grumbled. "See you take special care tonight. Send Mrs. Grant here at once, and get this number on the long distance."

Natica came in almost at once. All she knew was that a letter had been given either to Kathryn Holland or Mr. Trent, and on receipt of it her husband disappeared.

She read it slowly. It was Frank's writing, and he was near them. Try as she might, she could not fight off a feeling, as yet vague and nebulous, that events were at hand which threatened the fabric of her dreams.

"Of course, you must call the police," she said, "or I will."

"I've had enough of this place, Grant said. "Every man I look at I want to be sure isn't Frank in disguise. My God! Nat, what use are the police if they can't catch him? He was within two hundred yards of me a few hours ago, and may be nearer than that now." He looked about the big room apprehensively. "I'm through. Think of what an escape I had! That d—d ship was got just to kidnap me. I tell you Frank must have money at the back of him. The police go looking for a seedy, broken-down tramp when he's probably living as well as we are and driving down here in a limousine."

"Don't make any plans until tomorrow," she said. "If it will make you any easier, change your room tonight."

Not because she had sympathy for his malaise, but because she was not sure how unwisely he might speak to the police, Natica saw the authorities when they came. They had combed the neighborhood and found no vagrants whom they did not know.

This confirmed Grant in his new belief that Sutton was not an outcast, but one protected, and therefore doubly dangerous. Because Trent had saved him from a deadly peril he felt a certain sense of safety in being near him. Trent was one of those reckless fools who liked dangers. If danger came near to Grant he might rely upon his guest to repel it.

He was talking to Trent when a footman brought a telegram toward them. Grant shrank back, as though here were another message from the man he had wronged. It was a relief when Trent opened it.

"It's from Swithin Weld," he announced. "Wants me to go up and spend a week or so in his Adirondack camp. I suppose you'd be bored to death at it."

Payson Grant turned a reproachful look on the speaker. Bored to death in such surroundings! He could imagine what it was like. Not a stranger could get past the keepers and guides. One might be as truly secluded there as any place in the world.

"Today's the fifteenth," he heard Trent say. "I think I'll start tomorrow. My visit is up. I've had a very pleasant time here, Mr. Grant. I wish you weren't looking so out of sorts."

Tomorrow was the sixteenth. A sentence of Sutton's note was graven on his brain. "I shall see you on the seventeenth." There would be no Anthony Trent to rely on then.

"You are lucky in having real friends," Grant said bitterly. "I've got to stay here whether I like it or not. I tell you, Trent, I'm a very sick man. It doesn't mean very much to you, a trip to the Weld camp. An invitation like that to me would mean saving my reason."

Trent simulated growing astonishment.

"You really mean it?" he asked. "I'll tell you what I'll do. I'll ask Weld if I may bring you along, too. But could you leave?" he added doubtfully.

"There's nothing to stop me."

Before dusk the wire came back as scheduled.

"By all means bring Grant (it read), but he will find it deadly dull here as there are no other guests.

"SWITHIN WELD."

Natica Grant was even more pleased than her husband, although for vastly different reasons. She could imagine the joy of telling those who asked where her husband had gone that he was staying at the famous Weld camp in the Adirondacks. Payson would have the opportunity to get to know his host thoroughly.

It pleased Grant to think he was stealing a march on his enemy. "You'll see me on the seventeenth," he muttered. "All right, I'm leaving on the sixteenth." He was in excellent spirits at dinner.

Grant had no fear that his wife would suffer at Sutton's hands. He did not think anyone could frighten Natica. Supreme selfishness dwarfed all her other emotions



"You Are Lucky In Having Real Friends," Grant Said Bitterly.

He learned from Trent that the week might lengthen into two if the weather kept fine. In two weeks' time Payson Grant would come back a different man, he assured his wife. Just now he was shot to bits with worry and unwise indulgence in stimulants. And every day brought Sutton's ultimate capture nearer.

Payson Grant left his splendid home in Deal Beach in the highest of good humors.

"I've never been in the Adirondacks," he confessed to Trent. "This is going to be a revelation to me."

"It wouldn't surprise me at all," Anthony Trent agreed.

(Continued Friday)

ONION, HISTORIC FOOD CROP, REMAINS FAVORITE IN DIET

From the earliest times of which we have authentic records the onion has been highly esteemed as an article of food. In desert regions it was early used also as a preventive of thirst by travelers and soldiers on the march. The original home of the plant, of which there are many varieties, was probably southern Asia or the borders of the Mediterranean Sea.

Egyptians cultivated the onion at the dawn of their history, according to W. R. Beattie, of the United States Department of Agriculture, and now the Egyptians offer competition to the Texas producers of winter-grown Bermuda onions.

The onion, says Mr. Beattie, belongs to a widely variable species, Alluim cepa, which forms a part of the botanical family of plants which includes many of the lilies, the several forms of asparagus and smilax, and similar plants with a scaly or fleshy enlarged root. A characteristic of this family is that most of its specnes grow naturally upon soil having an abundance of moisture, many of them being natives of low-lying areas along the seashore. Another characteristic of plants like the onion and asparagus is that they will withstand considerable salt in the soils on which they grow. Conditions favorable to onion culture are found in many sections of the United States and the crop is widely grown.

Good prices for onions one year are likely to stimulate heavy production the next year. This is true not only because commercial growers expand their acreage but also because good prices will lead many individuals to plant onions in small patches or home gardens that supply more than the needs of the growers and so enter the local markets in competition with the field-grown crop. Onions demand intensive culture, which makes them particularly adaptable for truck patch and back-lot cultures, in which the grower can cultivate and weed them in the time outside his usual hours of employment. The average yield of an acre of onions is about 290 bushels, but on soils that are suitable and fertile good cultivation often results in yields of from 400 to 600 bushels an acre.

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NO CONFIDENCE IN JADWIN PLAN

The "Manufacturer's Record" is a semi-technical business magazine, published in Baltimore with a wide circulation among business and professional men from coast to coast. Editorial opinions and statements in it's columns receive attention and carry weight among the best thinkers of the Nation. An editorial clipping from the November edition, bearing on the Jadwin Plan follows for the information of our many readers who are vitally interested in that project:

"The Jadwin plan proposes to subject to periodic flooding a territory of 10,000 square miles west of the Mississippi, in Arkansas and Louisiana. That territory is now populated by upwards of 74,000 people, some in towns, some on fertile farms. Public works, towns and farms—all that go to make a rich agricultural section would be destroyed by the opreation of the Jadwin plan.

"The people of the lands and towns Genreal Jadwin proposes to lay waste in the Mississippi Valley are in revolt against the plan; the people of the tributaries object to paying for huge expenditures which will leave them defenseless and which, they believe, will be rendered useless by the final development of reservoir systems they demand on the tributaries. In this situation there should be sufficient basis for co-ordinated action between all sections of the Mississippi drainage system and nothing short of wholeharted co-operation will suffice. The Jadwin plan is severely criticised by able civilian engineers on the ground that it contains some dangerous experiments, and we believe that before its adoption drives 74,000 people from their homes it should be subjected to a searching analysis by an unbiased board of the ablest civilian engineers in the country, and that such board should be specifically charged with the responsibility for revising or replacing it as far as might seem advisable".

The above indictment of Jadwin's plans and methods is not only one of many from high sources. As they are studied it become more evident daily that not only eminent engineers from East, West, North and South, but also thinking lay citizens, are rapidly losing confidence in the whole works as directed by Jadwin.

Loss of public confidence in any business project is a serious handicap. The colossal size of this enterprise along with the hundreds of millions it will cost multiplies, to an amazing degree, the misfortune created by a lack of faith in Jadwin leadership.

The Government should be able to find a way to quiet the public mind with regard to this deplorable situation. A general review of plans and methods by a board of unquestioned ability and experience on which civilians are represented has been suggested. Certainly some move can be made by Uncle Sam to still the currents of criticism now running, else they may soon grow into a tidal wave.—Charlesten Enterprise-Courier

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England has developed a substitute for cotton, but in this country we just use silk.—New York Evening Post.

Mr. Hoover's trip has proved that battleships aren't obsolete but make very handy fishing-smacks.—New Evening Post.

As one Democrat we are willing to start a subscription list to buy The Literary Digest before the beginning of the 1932 campaign.—Tombstone (Ariz.) Epitaph.

What has become of the old-fashioned barber who said he was 'a professor of the tonsorial art"?—Atchison Globe. He is now practising as a beautician.—Arkansas Gazette.

INDUSTRIAL NEWS FROM OVER MISSOURI

St. Charles—Bids opened for erection of Community Building at City Park.

Oak Grove—Bids opened for building eight miles concrete road thru this place.

Weston—New fixtures installed at local post office.

Canton—"Canton Press" and "Canton News" consolidate as "News-Press".

New Cambria—Carload drainage tile shipped from New Cambria Concrete Works to Brookfield to be used in highway construction.

De Soto—Fund increasing for establishment of new furniture factory here.

Carthage—Contracts let for construction of new McCune-Brooks hospital.

Unionville—Government radio station at local airport completed.

Princeton—Modern restaurant installed in Cook building.

South St. Louis—New South Side National Bank Building nearing completion here.

St. Louis Public Service Co. plans to reroute Bellefontaine line in near future.

Carthage—J. C. Penney Co. will move into remodeled building at 141 East Third Street.

Neosho—Formal opening of Neo-buildings at Wood and Coler Streets. buildings at Wood and Coler Strets.

Kansas City—Three-story building at 804 Walnut Street remodeled for use by Nokss Auction Co.

Branson—Pierce-Pennant Co. erecting new oil distributing station here.

Gunn City—New Christian church dedicated here.

Mendon—Swan Lake may be purchased for federal game reserve.

Moberly—Columbia hardsurfaced road completed recently.

Bethany—Streets is Miriam cemetery will be graveled.

Slater—Construction work on building for garment factory progressing rapidly.

Ferguson—New store and apartment building under construction at Florissant and Evans Roads.

Ferguson—Cornerstone laid of new Presbyterian church on Darst Road and Clay Avenue.

Shelbyville—Streets of this place being improved.

Vandalia—A. & P. store opened in remodeled quarters.

Famous Mining Strikes

By THOMAS R. STEWARD

WNU Service

The Diamonds of Brazil

IT IS said that at Diamantina, in the Brazilian province of Minas Geraes, gold in tiny particles is so plentiful in the soil that children follow the workmen who are putting in telephone poles or doing any kind of digging, for the sake of picking up the tiny flecks of precious metal that are sure to be revealed.

Writers on Brazil tell how miners seeking gold found a number of bright and attractive pebbles which had such an individual appearance that residents of the village of Tijuca began saving them for markers in card games. They became "chips," and in all there probably were a bushel of them around the place.

Presently a Portuguese visitor in Tijuca "got into a game" one day and recognized the markers as diamonds. He expressed mild interest in them and offered to buy some. They sold him half a bushel or so, and he cut his stay as short as possible, departing for Amsterdam, a diamond center, with the diamonds safely stowed away.

Word of his discovery reached the Portuguese crown, for that was before the days of Brazilian independence. Investigation showed that there was a huge tract of diamond bearing soil in Brazil, in all about 400 square leagues, including the famous black diamond district in the state of Bahia.

At one time the Brazilian fields practically controlled the world's diamond supply, especially in the century prior to 1867-70, when the South African strikes were made.

The largest diamond ever found in Brazil, the "Star of the South," was found at a place called "Agua Suja," meaning "dirty water." It weighed about the same as the celebrated Kohinoor of South Africa, about 300 carats.

Brazilian stones are usually found in the beds of rivers and the business of gathering them is prosaic in the extreme. None of the improved methods employed in South Africa have as yet been introduced by the Brazilians. The stones, when discovered, look like white, half-transparent pebbles.

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That New York stock market has broken all records. It will begin on the hearts a little later.—Wichita Eagle.

Nothing seems to be quite so much needed in this country as the spread of intelligence among the intelligentsia".—Boston Transcript.



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Chance and Games

WITH regard to "chance" games, or, to use a general term, gambling, luck may be said to be the presiding genius, and to influence, according to popular superstition, the good or ill fortune of those who engage in them. All gamblers believe that all their success (though their success is only temporary where games of pure chance are concerned) is not the result of skillful effort on their part. There is scarcely a gambler who is not ready to assert his faith in certain observances whereby he changed his luck, by changing seats, reversing his



hat or cap, a new deal, or the like. If luck is against a player, to turn three times around with his chair, "for then the luck will change in his favor," is commonly done. It is considered that bystanders bring ill luck to players.

If a child has small feet, she will lead an easy life.

A boy who will carry a dull knife will be a bachelor.

To make a blot on a love letter shows that the person you are writing to is thinking of you at the moment.

If the seventh wedding one attends is not one's own, one will never marry.

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Remember the good old days when the people in the rural districts had so much money they could afford to buy a gold brick once in a while?—Rushville (Ind.) Republican.

JACKSON HIGH SCHOOL GYM NEARLY COMPLETED

Jackson, Mo., December 10.—The new high school auditorium is nearing completion, and will probably be used for the first time tonight by the Livestock Shipping Association wheih is sponsoring a "Scrub Bull Trial".

The new combination auditorium and gymnasium will seat 1450 people and as a gym at least 1000. The first game of the basketball season will be played Friday in the new gym with Perryville. The remainder of the building, including six class room, will be completed within a few weeks.

Pacific—New gravel plant will be established here immediately.

Shelbyville—Local telephone wires laid underground by telephone company.

A Missouri woman has willed her estate to her seventeen dogs. This isn't the first to go that way, however.—Council Bluffs Nonpareil.



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Pacific—Pacific Variety Store enlarges quarters.

St. Charles—Bids opened for construction of Community House at Blanchette Park.

It is when a boiling stock market begins to cool that the water becomes most evidnet.—Christian Science Monitor.

Science might rest up a bit about the origin of man, and determine what his finish is to be.—New York American.

"President Coolidge Has Had Many Offers". But not, we venture, one to go into the talkie movies.—New York Evening Post.

Millikan, scientists, says man will be here for a billion years yet. Possibly that is why politicians show no rush about farm relief.—Wichita Eagle.

Flat River—Paving on Upper Main Street opened to traffic.

Flat River—Post office moves into new quarters in Masonic building.

Campbell—Plans under way for construction of new school building.

Most of the plungers seem to think Wall is a one-way street.—New York Evening Post.

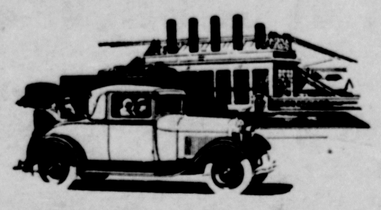
St. Charles—Union Electric Light & Power Co. installs electric power at Washington Flour Mill plant.

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Closely allied to the electrical system is the ignition system. It, too, is of new mechanical design in the new Ford. There is but one high tension cable and that connects the coil with the distributor. Even cables from the distributor to the spark plugs have been eliminated. Special care has also been taken to make the distributor water-proof, thus preventing short circuits from rain, etc.

The entire electrical and ignition systems of the new Ford are so simple in design and so carefully made that they will give you surprisingly little trouble. Yet that doesn't mean they should be neglected. Certain little attentions are needed from time to time.

The storage battery should be given water and the connections kept clean. The generator charging rate should be changed as indicated. Spark plugs should be cleaned at regular intervals. Distributor points should also be kept clean and the distributor cam given a light film of vaseline every 2000 miles.

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The Million-Dollar Jug

ONE of the strangest discoveries in all the history of American mining laid the foundation for the wealth of H. A. W. Tabor, later the millionaire lieutenant governor of Colorado. The same discovery ultimately created Leadville, Colo., from whose mines so many millions of dollars' worth of ore, especially silver and lead, have been extracted.

Following some desultory placer mining, Tabor had settled down at Oro City, in the famous California Gulch, and opened a general store. One day two prospectors who were without funds asked him to grubstake them for a trip into the mountains, half of all they found to belong to him in payment for the grub.

Tradition has it that there was a jug of whisky in the outfit and that the two veterans, taken by the idea of a drink, dispatched the whole jug when they were but a few miles from their starting point. The story is told in United States government records. When the whisky had disappeared, although its influence may still have been felt, they concluded that the spot on which they had prematurely camped was as good a one to sink a prospecting hole as any other.

Now this spot was on the famous Fryer hill, where extremely rich ore bodies were so deeply covered with detritus material that the deposits might never have been discovered but for some lucky chance. But these two miners, prospecting in a place that might ordinarily have seemed hopeless to them, struck the famous ore body of the Little Pittsburg mine at a depth of only 25 or 30 feet and at the only point on the whole area of the hill where the rock in place comes so near to the surface.

Discoveries rapidly multiplied in this region and claims were soon changing hands at prices that advanced swiftly into the millions.

In 1877 a population of about 200 persons had settled on the site of what was to become Leadville. Its business houses were a minute grocery store and two saloons. By the next spring Leadville had been named and incorporated as a city of the second class and by 1880 Leadville had become the second largest city in Colorado with 15,000 inhabitants and assessable property estimated at from $10,000,000 to $80,000,000. It had 25 miles of streets, waterworks, sewers, and a school system that included a $50,000 high school. There were 14 smelters and 37 shaft furnaces, of which 24 were in active operation. Leadville produced millions in mineral wealth, its record having been surpassed only by the famous Comstock lode in Nevada.

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Three trucks of coal caught fire in Yorkshire and burned for four hours. We should like a ton of that coal.—Punch.

Applauding a movie actor is safe, because he can't come back and give an encore.—Yates Center (Mo.) Times.

A scientist says there is no such thing as perfect climate. That man would be hanged in California.—Dallas News.

The American Federation of Labor re-elects Green president—but it is still against the Reds.—Winston-Salem Journal.

Futuristic art is now being faked, but there is no proof yet that the fake is any better than the original.—Boston Transcript.

Under present conditions the possessor of a seat on the New York Stock Exchange could be excused for not giving it to a lady.—Troy Record.

Solomon was a wise guy, but he could never have competed with The Literary Digest in forecasting our Presidential election.—Hartford Courant.

The last time we counted, the Democrats were facing a deficit of a million and a half. It may be necessary to ask some Philadelphia cop to pay off this mortgage.—The New Yorker.

TRY THIS

By EDNA PURDY WALSH

Protecting Shoes With Tire Patches

FOR the summer pump of thin soles and small heels tire patches make excellent protectors for both heels and tips where the wear is first shown. If a small triangular piece of rubber patch is applied to the pointed tip of the sole the leather tip above will look neat more than double the time.

Satin-covered wooden heels and leather heels can be adequately protected from wearing over by cutting these tire patches to the shape of the heel and cementing onto the heel.

Some tire patches have a cement already on them which will adhere to leather and wood. If the patch does not stay on solidly, a cement made of



gutta percha in carbon bisulphide will unite the rubber and leather. The edges of both rubber and leather should first be roughed by a sharp glass edge, and after the cement has been applied they should be pressed and held together. A tool chest vise will serve as a press.

If the heel is of wood, a cement of gum rubber soaked in a small quantity of naphtha or gasoline is the best to use.

These thin rubber heels and toe protectors are very long wearing. While not as springy as ordinary rubber heels they do not change the shape of the heel.

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Monett—1386 carloads Ozark grapes shipped out of this region this season.

Hermann—Construction started on new bridge over Missouri River at this place.

When you see smoke rolling out the windows of a modern home these days it might be a female bridge party instead of the house on fire.—Florida Times-Union.

TRUSTEE'S SALE

Default having been made for more than six months in payment of dues and interest secured by note described in deed of trust executed by Ella Shuppert and her husband, J. R. Shuppert, dated August Twentieth, Nineteen Hundred Twenty-seven and recorded on the Twenty-third Day of August, Nineteen Hundred Twenty-seven in Office of Recorder of Deeds for Scott County, Missouri, at Benton, Missouri, in Book number 51, at Page number 157, conveying to undersigned the following described real estate and improvements thereon, in the County of Scott, State of Missouri, to-wit:

All of Lot Number Nine (9) and all the South Half of Lot Number Ten (10) in Block Number Three (3) of High School Addition to the Town or City of Sikeston, Missouri, according to the recorded plat thereof, and all improvements thereon.

Now in accordance with the terms and conditions of said note and deed of trust and the legal holder and owner of said note and deed of trust having declared the whole debt due as secured thereby, I will, at the request of said legal holder and owner, on

FRIDAY, JANUARY 4 1929

between the hours of 9:00 A. M. and 5:00 P. M. of said day sell the above described property to the highest bidded for cash at the Front Door of the Post Office in the Town or City of Sikeston, Scott County, Missouri, for the purpose of satisfying said debt and costs.

LEE B. EWING, (Trustee).

TRUSTEE'S SALE

Default having been made for more than six months in payment of dues and interest secured by note described in deed of trust executed by E. A. Bandy, and his wife, Mary Bandy, dated February Twentieth, Nineteen Hundred Twenty-five, and recorded on the Twenty-fifth Day of March, Nineteen Hundred Twenty-five, in office of Recorder of Deeds for Scott County, Missouri, at Benton, Missouri, in Book number 51, at Page number 43, conveying to undersigned the following described real estate and improvements thereon, in the County of Scott, State of Missouri, to-wit:

A tract of land situated in United States Private Survey No. 614, Township 26 North, Range 14 East, and lying entirely within the corporate limits of the City of Sikeston, Scott County, Missouri, bounded and described as follows: Beginning at a pump line on the South line of Kathleen Avenue, set Eighty-four (84) feet East of the Northwest corner of Lot number Two (2) of Out Block number Forty-two (42), and running thence East along the South line of said Kathleen Avenue a distance of Eighty (80) feet to a pump pipe; thence South along a line parallel to the West line of said Lot number Two (2) of OutBlock number Forty-two (42), a distance of One Hundred Forty-six (146) feet to a pump pipe; thence West along a line parrallel to the South line of Kathleen avenue a distance of Eighty (80) feet to a pump pipe; thence North along a line parallel to the West line of said Lot number Two (2) of Out Block number Forty-two (42) a distance of One Hundred Forty-six (146) feet to the point of beginning, and all improvements on above described property.

Now in accordance with the terms and conditions of said note and deed of trust and the legal holder and owner of said note and deed of trust having declared the whole debt due as secured thereby, I will, at the request of said legal holder and owner, on

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LEE B. EWING, (Trustee).

First Publication Nov. 2, '28.

Rolla—Construction of new Frisco station begins at this place.

TRUSTEE'S SALE

Default having been made for more than six months in payment of dues and interest secured by note described in deed of trust executed by Jessie M. Shelby and her husband, E. Orville Shelby, dated January Twentieth, Nineteen Hundred and Twenty-five, and recorded on the Twenty-seventh Day of January, Nineteen Hundred Twenty-five, in Office of Recorder of Deeds for Scott County Missouri, at Benton, Missouri, in Book number 51, at Page number 35, conveying to undersigned the following described real estate and improvements thereon, in the County of Scott, State of Missouri, to-wit:

All of Lot Number One (1) in Block number Thirteen (13) in the Chamber of Commerce Addition to the Town or City of Sikeston, Missouri, according to the recorded plat thereof, and all improvements thereon.

Now in accordance with the terms and conditions of said note and deed of trust and the legal holder and owner of said note and deed of trust having declared the whole debt due as secured thereby, I will, at the request of said legal holder and owner, on

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LEE B. EWING, (Trustee).

TRUSTEE'S SALE

Default having been made for more than six months in payment of dues and interest secured by note described in deed of trust executed by Ona Lloyd and her husband, Joseph S. Lloyd, dated January, Twentieth, Nineteen Hundred Twenty-five, and recorded on the Eighteenth Day of February, Nineteen Hundred Twenty-five, in Office of Recorder of Deeds for Scott County, Missouri, at Benton, Missouri, in Book number 51, at Page number 38, conveying to undersigned the following described real estate and improvements thereon, in the County of Scott, State of Missouri, to-wit:

All of Lot number Twenty-five (25), and all the North Half of Lot number Twenty-six (26), all in Block number Eighteen (18), of McCoy and Tanner's Third Addition to the Town or City of Sikeston, Missouri, according to the recorded plat thereof, and all improvements thereon.

Now in accordance with the terms and conditions of said note and deed of trust and the legal holder and owner of said note and deed of trust having declared the whole debt due as secured thereby, I will, at the request of said legal holder and owner, on

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LEE B. EWING, (Trustee)

TRUSTEE'S SALE

Default having been made for more than six months in payment of dues and interest secured by note described in deed of trust executed by E. E. Ferrell and his wife, Velda Ferrell, dated December Twentieth, Nineteen Hundred Twenty-four and recorded on the Twenty-sixth Day of December Nineteen Hundred Twenty-four in Office of Recorder of Deeds for Scott County, Missouri at Benton, Missouri in Book number 51, at Page number 25, conveying to undersigned the following described real estate and improvements theron, in the County of Scott, State of Missouri. to-wit:

Beginning at a point in the West line of Delmar Street Five Hundred Forty-six and 32-100 (546.32) feet South of the intersection of the said West line of Delmar Street with the South line of William Street in the City of Sikeston, Missouri, said point of beginning being the Southeast corner of the tract of land deeded by the Gilbreath heirs to Ella Scott in August, 1914; thence in a Southerly direction along the West line of Delmar Street a distance of One Hundred Thirty-seven and 18-100 (137.18) feet to the intersection of the North line of Murray Lane; thence Westerly along the North line of Murray Lane a distance of Three Hundred Ninety-one and 02-100 (391.02) feet to the intersection of the East right-of-way line of the St. Louis and San Francisco Railroad; thence Northerly along the East line of said railroad right-of-way a distance of One Hundred Thirty-seven and 54-100 (137.54) feet to the Southwest corner of said Ella Scott tract; thence Easterly along the South line of said Ella Scott tract a distance of Three Hundred Eighty-one and 41-100 (381.41) feet to the place of beginning, containing one and 216-1000 (1.216) acres, more or less, and being a part of Block number Forty-five (45) of McCoy and Tanner's Eighth Addition to the City of Sikeston, Missouri, and now shown as part of Out Block Number Forty-four (44) on the official map of Sikeston, Missouri, recorded in the Recorder's office of Scott County, Missouri, in Plat Book 4 at page 128, and all improvements on above described property.

Now in accordance with the terms and conditions of said note and deed of trust and the legal holder and owner of said note and deed of trust having declared the whole debt due as secured thereby, I will, at the request of said legal holder and owner, on

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HOLD SERVICES FOR JACK CAMPBELL TUES

Funeral services for Ernest E. "Jack" Campbell, 29, who was accidently shot and killed near Neelyville, Saturday, will be held today (Tuesday) at Crowder.

Ernest and his brother, Leonard Campbell had established a camp, five or six miles south of Neelyville, and were engaged in hunting and trapping. The two were in a boat Saturday morning, when Leonard asked his brotner to move his shotgun, as the boat was leaking and he was afraid the gun would be ruined. Ernest reached around back of himself and pulled the gun towards him. The charge lodged in his side, but he lived about thirty minutes before dying.

The body was taken to a Poplar Bluff undertaking establishment and prepared for burial, and was brought to the residence in Crowder late Sunday evening. H. J. Welsh will have charge of the funeral service Tuesday.

A widow and two children, a girl aged six and a boy aged 4, survive.

U. D. C. MEETS AT MOORE GREER HOME THURSDAY

The regular monthly meeting of the local Chapter of the U. D. C. met at the home of Mrs. Moore Greer, North Kingshighway, last Thursday afternoon, with Mrs. W. T. Marshall of Charleston hostess.

The programme consisted of readings written by Edgar Guest, a musical reading and a vocal duet.

The programme follows:

"The Real Successes"....Lois Hahn
"Dirty Hands"....Elizabeth Bowman
"Ma and Her Check Book"
.....Nanabelle Wilson
"The Radio".....Adajean Bowman
"Christmas" .....Adajean Bowman

The second reading "Christmas" was composed by Adajean herself.

"Pa Did It".....Emily Blanton
Musical Reading—"And Then She Married Father"....Emily Blanton
Vocal Duet—"Holy Night"
....Mary Tanner and Virginia Mount

HIGH SCHOOL BOYS START ON TRIP VIA FREIGHT TRAIN

Albert McIarthy and Max Reed, two Sophomores in the high school, left home, spare-time jobs and school books, for the open road via a southbound freight at 7:30 o'clock Friday. A letter to the homefolks, sent from Memphis, Tenn., Saturday, advised that the boys were headed for Monroe, La., to visit a married ssiter of the Reed boy. The adventurers said they would probably be back by Christmas. McCarty was employed before and after school hour at the Farmers' Supply Co. and at The Standard office as carrier. Reed worked for th eWelter Bake Shop in his spare time.

SANTA CLAUS

The wind blows cold,
'Tis going to snow.
Then o'er the hills
Old Santa will go.
Listen: Those sleigh-bells
Of Santa's you'll hear.
He comes with presents
To wind up the year.
Of gladness and joy
You need never fear
For he comes loaded down
With Christmas cheer.
He's a generous fellow
Ne'er does he stop
'Til the rays of the sun,
Peep oe'r the horizon,
And day is begun.
Then he highes him away
To his home o'er the lea,
Perhaps, we can't tell,
It may be far o'er the sea.
But next year he'll be here
To see you again,
If not by auto
In a big aeroplane.

—Minnie Sayers Smith

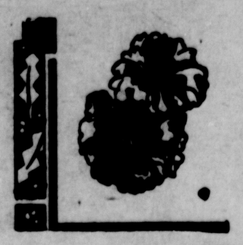
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FIRST H. S. OPERETTA IN SIX YEARS TO BE PRESENTED TUESDAY EVENING

The first high school operetta to be promoted here in six or seven years will be presented Tuesday evening, December 18, beginning at 7:30 o'clock in the school auditorium. The plot of "The Gypsy Rover" centers about an English heir, who is stolen in infancy and falls into the hands of a gypsy band. His experiences with this roving group forms a very intricate, and fascinating plot, and the playlet ends—well, it ends, but how will have to be left to the devices of the clever gypsy.

A cast of more than forty supports the central figure.

THE KING IMPIOVES

London, December 16.—The spirit of hopefulness which prevailed in royal circles yesterday become more pronounced today with the issue of two favorable bulletins on the condition of King George. Both were very short but both announced continued slgiht improvement.

The night bulletin said:

"The king had a quiet day and the improvement in his majtesy's condition noted this morning has been maintained."

The morning report was:

"In spite of a restless night, his majesty's condition has slightly improved".

Members of the royal family are beginning to move with greater freedom as the result of their relaxation from the anxiety which held them in the critical days after the operation on Wednesday.

In view of the illness of King George, the exposition of the blessed sacrament was solemnized today in all toman Catholic churches in the diocese of Nottingham.

SON BORN TO MR. AND MRS. H. D. LAMBERT SUNDAY P. M.

A baby boy was born to Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Lambert at 11 o'clock Sunday night. The youngster was named William Franklin, and brings the total of children in the Lambert family to fourteen. One child died in infancy.

FOR RENT—7-room house on Kathleen Avenue. Lights.—John A. Matthews, phone 216.

BIDS OPENED FOR PAVEMENT OF NO. 61

Bids were received by the Missouri Highway Department at Jefferson City last Friday for the construction of concrete pavement on Highway 61 from a point near Williams Creek, three miles east of Jackson, to a point four miles south of Cape Girardeau. The Rouse Construction Co., of Cape Girardeau offered the lowest bid on this nine-mile stretch of road:

The Cameron-Joyce-Smith-Elder Company of Keokuk, Iowa, presented the lowest bid on the proposed pavement in New Madrid County between Portageville and New Madrid, a distance of 15.4 miles. While these companies were low bidders, the contracts were not awarded and will not be until the State Highway Commission meets.

Highway 61 in Cape Girardeau County was graded this year in preparation for the paving. The projects include the paving of the roadway of the viaduct now in progress of construction over the Frisco railway tracks south of Cape Girardeau.

RECOVER CAR STOLEN FROM DAVE KEVIL FRIDAY NIGHT

Sikeston officers were notified by Cape Girardeau police Sunday night of the recovery of a Buick coupe, the property of Dave Kevil of this city. The car was stolen Friday evening between 7:30 and 8:30 o'clock from in front of the Skillman boarding house at 414 North Ranney.

The Russell-Bradley Missionary Society will have a Christmas sale at the Missouri Utilities office Wednesday afternoon. Articles $1.00.

Dear Santa:

Please bring me a pair of high-top shoes, a big car and a cowboy suit. And I want the other children to have some toys, too.

ALFRED LYLE ANDRES.

Dear Santa:

I will write you a letter and tell you what I would like to have for Christmas. I am a little boy 8 years old. I want a cap pistol, a box of caps and coloring book and some colors and don't you forget my little sister.

HAROLD.

PORTAGEVILLE YOUTH, SHOT WHILE HUNTING, IMPROVES IN CAPE GIRARDEAU HOSPITAL

Cape Girardeau, December 10.—The condition of Floyd Phillips, 15, of Portageville, who is in the St. Francis hospital following an injury to his right arm received Thursday noon when his gun accidently exploded while he was out hunting, is reported to be fair. He spent a comfortable night.

The arm, which received the full load of the gun, when Phillips dropped it, was amputated below the elbow. Part of the shot went through Phillips' elbow and grazed the face of his brother, who was hunting with him at the time of the accident.

Phillips is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Phillips, who live on a farm north of Portageville, and he and his brother were hunting near their home when the accident occurred.

Pinnell's Clearance Sale is now going on. Were you there Saturday? Or maybe you could not get in as the crowds were tremendous, in fact, we could not handle them. Try and come this week if possible. Thanks to all.

SCHOOL FUNDS LOW SAYS SUPT. DENECKE

An unconfirmed report Saturday stated that Gray's Ridge consolidated school near Morheouse had closed with last Friday's classes for lack of funds. A report also gained circulation that the schools at Morehouse and Bertrand were about to close for the same reason.

A telephone conversation with Superintendent Denecke at Morehouse, Monday morning, however, brought a partial denial of conditions. "School funds are in mighty poor shape", said Mr. Denecke, "but so far as I know, none of the schools mentioned have closed as yet. It remains to be seen what amount will be derived from taxes this year. Gray Ridge school", said Mr. Denecke, "still owes part of last year's salaries, and the outlook is rather gloomy there, because they have already spent about two months appropriations from the State aid fund, and there is no immediate tax money in sight, and there won't be until February", he added.

Conditions in general in Southeast Missouri in school circles are not gratifying. Tax collections will be slow, at best, and lower in amount than ever before, because many farms being "sold for the taxes". In some cases on record back taxes more than equal the value of the land and improvements when value is based on current prices.

ORAN MAN RESENTS SLURS ON WOMEN BY DR. JOHNSTON

A remark regarding the women of Oran by Dr. Johnston, eye specialist of this city, led to a fight in an Oran Drug Store Thursday, December 6.

Lyman Harrison resented certain statements of the doctor and proceeded to knock down the doctor, according to witnesses. The mayor and an officer of the city were bystanders, but refused to interfere. Dr. Johnston left the city soon after the incident.

FIRE DESTROYS HOUSE ON BAKER FARM MONDAY

A four-room frame house on the G. C. Baker place, in the northeast part of Sikeston, and occupied by Charlie Pettiford, was destroyed by fire about 10:30 o'clock Monday morning. The Sikeston fire truck made a run to the burning structure, but the roof was falling in when they arrived. The Pettifords lost all their household goods and carried no insurance.

AT THE HOSPITAL

A nine- pound boy was born to Mr. and Mrs. Hoxalee L. Crites at 2:55 Saturday afternoon. The young man has been named Alvin Stewart.

Mrs. Clarence Treece, of Morehouse, was admitted to the hospital for treatment last Friday afternoon.

David Cash continues to show decided improvement. His arm was badly mangled in the gears of a sorghum mill several weeks ago, but is well on its way to recovery. David and W. D. Kitchen, also of Morehouse, have the prospect of spending Christmas in the hospital.

Mrs. Gord Dill, who entered the hospital several weeks ago for treatment, is improving.

ALL'S WELL THAT ENDS WELL

The recent bank failure held a shock and a surprise for one Sikestonian at least. This certain party, it seems, had a wife, and as dutiful husband are supposed to do, this husband set aside a certain amount every week for the household budget. Imagine his surprise, when he checked out his safety deposit box at the bank and found the tidy sum of more than $1000 safely tucked away. The friend wife had made certain deductions from the estimated expenses and quietly placed away the surplus against just such a contingency.

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The Standard editor and H. C. Blanton drove to Paris, Mo., to visit Miss Lillie Blanton, who recently fell and injured her back. She was the most cheerful person imaginable and complained of no pains. The X-ray showed one vertebra cracked and another one broken. She is in a plaster cast, and will be for many weeks, but firmly believes she will eventually be able to be about as of old. Her appetite is good, and she is able to read, write and do fancy work while flat of her back. Her wonderful nerve and will power will carry her to good health, we firmly believe.

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It is said by those who know that at Columbia, word was received in advance at most fraternity and sorority houses of a coming inspection of houses to determine the extent of influenza, and the number of suddenly contracted cases was really remarkable.

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This is to let the children know that the editor is not Santa Claus. The Standard is just a means to let Santa Claus know what the children would like to have. If the editor was Santa Claus and had in stock the many things asked for, we would do our best to see they were delivered. We sincerely hope all the white and colored children who have written to Santa Claus, will have their wishes fulfilled.

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FOR SALE—Dining table, buffet and six chairs. Reasonable. Call 51.

Mrs. Kirkendall, wife of Billy Kirkendall, died at St. Francis Hospital, Cape Girardeau, last evening from a paralytic stroke, the second in recent weeks. No particulars at this time as to funeral arrangements. She was a big hearted, splendid woman, and The Standard regrets exceedingly to hear of her demise.

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While in North Missouri over the week-end, we heard a number of people compliment the opera, "Firefly" on at the Malone Theatre Thursday evening of this week. The opera played at Hannibal, a city of 40,000, and it was said to have been the best entertainment for years that had visited that city. While the price seems high to we small city folks, it will be worth the price without a doubt. Get your tickets today.

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The Cape Girardeau Teachers College announces that they expect their basketball squad to redeem the ridiculous record made by the College in football this season. And their first game is with Olson's Swedes!—Campbell Citizen.

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Frances Jean is the name selected for the infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Noonan. 'Pat" and his friend "T" Wilson had the perfectly good name of Tom "T" Dan Noonan all picked out for the new arrival.

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The fact that one school is already closed near here and that two more, Morehouse and Bertrand are nearly forced to do the same thing for lack of funds presents a situation, both pathetic and alarming. Pathetic because the fathers and mothers of the children who will now suffer the loss of practically one year's school work swallowed whole the "Coolidge prosperity" bunk in the last election. Conditions could not have been much healthier then that now. It shows superficial thinking on the part of some. They were led to believe that some Hooverian miracle would suddenly relieve their burdens, the brunt of which are now visited upon their shoulders and upon their children. The situation is alarming because the condition of the schools reflects directly the financial condition of country districts. We shall see what relief prosperity howlers and the Coolidge press can offer.

REGARDING FIRE HAZARDS

Inspection reveals fire hazards. A warning in time is worth heeding. To some people there is "handwriting on the wall" in the warning in the report of fire hazards rendered by the Fire Prevention Bureau of a large mid-western city.

For the month of June, the Bureau made 4401 inspections, finding fire hazards to the number of 1365. Predominating in this total were bad heating units and rubbish, divided as follows:

Flues	387
Furnaces, stoves and hat plates	58
Heating appliances	6
Stoves and smokepipes	29
Total heating units bad	480

Accumulations of straw, trash, rubbish and waste paper constituted fire hazards to the number of 545.

Since these two classifications contained the greatest number of fire hazards, it is very probable that they caused the majority of fires suffered by the city in the past, according to The National Board of Fire Underwriters. It is also likely that a similar state of affairs exists in most communities.—The Manufacturer.

Few papers in this Southeastern section of Missouri which do not carry sheriff sales notices. Farms and portions of farm lands are going "under the hammer" to satisfy private debts, or tax assessments. It's a condition in which most of us can find little consolation, and very little hope for the future. Its is, however, the fact that after this present slump and reorganization of farm conditions, that conditions will improve. Large estates will finally disappear, because it is unprofitable to operate them. In their stead will come the small land owner with farms ranging from 80 to 240 acres. That small scale farmer will be better financed, he will farm not alone with grain and cotton; but with catch crops, garden truck, and he will keep cattle, hogs, chickens and cows as a sideline. Farmers in north and central Missouri have already learned their lesson, not to put all their eggs in one basket. We in Southeast Missouri are seeing for ourselves the folly of one track farming.

AS I SEE IT

By I'm About Town

The little scrap down there in Bolivia and Paraguay is causing quite a bit of comment, but we just supposed at first that it was a stunt cooked up by the Chambers of Commerce for one certain distinguished America "Good Will" ambassador—or maybe they merely wanted us to know that they really are on the map.

Those who have read the Hospital Notes in the local papers and have somewhat tired of reading "so-and-so is improving" can take consolation that the metro papers are prone to do the same thing—and in big headlines at that, "King Continues To Improve", for instance.

A report late Monday evening from Poplar Bluff gives Case, star football player on the Bluff high school team, little hope for recovery. Infection from a leg injury, received in a late season game, has entered the body.

SANTA CLAUS LETTERS

Blodgett, Mo.,

Dear Santa:

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Yours,
ALEXANDER BELL
ROBERT LEE BELL
VERGE BELL

Blodgett, Mo.,

Dear Santa:

I am a poor little girl. Please send me a coat for Xmas and a dress, a pair of Alice Blue stockings, for a girl 16 years old. I will thank you so much.

FRANCES COZART.

THE CONFLICT IN BRIEF

Reports of new conflicts in the disputed region of the Gran Chaco indicatde last night the growing seriousness of the situation between Bolivia and Paraguay, despite offers of mediation from many sources.

The Bolivians had revenged the loss of Fort Vanguardia on December .. by the capture of Mariscal Lopez (Fort Boqueron) and had raided by air the advanced Paraguayan position at Bahia Negra. The Paraguayan legation at Lima reported that a fourth fort was threatened by Bolivian forces and declared that "measures in accordance with the situation will be taken".

President Briand of the Council of the League of Nations, following receipt of news of these clashes after ten days of quiet, sent strong messages to Bolivia and Paraguay, both members of the league, stressing the fact that such border contacts are susceptible of compromising the success of all pacific procedure.

Briand added that he would immediately convoke a special session of the Council if either Bolivia or Paraguay make a formal declaration of war.

The Paraguayan Charge d'Affaires at Washington charged that Bolivia "wants war" for territorial aggrandizement and that American loans have been used in large part to purchase armaments for it. This last was denied by the Bolivian Minister.

La Paz, one of the capitals of Bolivia, received the news of the capture of Fort Boqueron with a tremendous demonstration of national fervor. It was reported there that casualties included more than 100 Paraguayans and 20 Bolivians. President Siles told 30,000 persons assembled in front of h is palace that the Bolivian troops in taking the fort gave a splendid example of Bolivian patriotism and that it was in line with the never-failing traditions of the country. Earlier, Congress had received with cheers the report of the conflict given by the President and his Cabinet. Bolivian legations have been authorized to say that the army has not mobilized and that the conflict so far has been between border garrisons.

Hermann—Construction started on new bridge over Missouri River at this place.

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If you find a bit of red ribbon or red wool amongst your presents (especially wool), you will have luck in love. Be sure to wear the trifle while you make your wish.

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OFFICERS RECOVER STOLEN ROADSTER MONDAY MORNING

The Ford roadster belonging to Bill Haman, which was stolen from in front of the People's Bank Building Saturday night, was found Monday eleven miles south of town on Highway 61, near the Noxall lane. The car had not been abused and still contained a quantity of gas when found, but the feed pipe was choked up, which probably led it to be abandoned.

SCHUELER WINS CASE AGAINST McINTOSH

A jury in justice court Monday afternoon, found for the defendant, A. Schueler against George McIntosh. The latter was slightly injured some weeks ago, when Schueler's car ran into a mule which McIntosh was riding.

A suit to recover damages for the animal is still pending and will be held Wednesday. Waggoner , owner of the mule, attached Schueler's car immediately following the accident, and the latter countered by having Waggoner post a $200 attachment bond.

BANKERS SEE BETTER TIMES FOR FARMERS

St. Louis, December 13.—"Sales of farms by the Federal Land Bank of St. Louis during the first eleven months have compared very favorably with those of a like period in 1927" stated H. Paul Bester, President of the bank when discussing the farm loan business with the representatives of the local Natinoal Farm Loan Associations of Eastren Missouri who are meeting here in the Planters Building in a two-day session with the bank officials. "Throughout the entire territory in which the bank makes loans—Missouri, Arkansas and Illinois—sales were made at prices fully as high as they would have commanded a year ago, and in some instances higher. Good farms, well located, are in demand again. We have noticed particularly a better demand for farms adapted to live stock or dairying. The farms which the bank has for sale have come to it in making 35,000 loans amounting to $108,000,000 over a period of 12 years. It has acquired only 50 farms from loans made during the last six years, during which time it has doubled its loans outstanding. We have at present about 208 farms, but considering the number of loans outstanding the percentage of farmers who have not been able to make the grade on their installments is gratifyingly small, particularly when we recall the distress caused by floods and other unusual conditions in this territory in the last few years.

In discussing ways and means whereby the 421 local National Farm Loan Associations in this district can be of more service to farmers during the coming years, Mr. Bester said: "Farmers are now obtaining long-term amortized loans at lower rates than city dwellers are having to pay for loans upon their city property and for less than industry is paying for its borrowed funds. The majority of borrowers tell us that they can pay our installment of $30 semi-annually, which includes the interest and the amount applied to reduce the loan, and still save money compared with the rate they have paid upon short-term loans. This rate, 5 per cent interest, is as low as we have been able to obtain in the whole 12 years in which the bank has been operating". Mr. Bester announced that these farmers who borrowed the first year the bank made loans have now saved and paid off approximately one-third of their loon in addition to the advantage of getting the money at 5 per cent.

O. J. Lloyd, Vice-President and Secretary, stated that the bank had closed, through the local associations in its district, so far this year. 3270 loans, amounting to $14,096,000. 'The total lonas made in the last 11 years in the district covered by this meetnig are 3515 amounting to $11,866,-700", said Mr. Lloyd. 'The 12 Federal Land Banks, of which ours is one, have loans outstanding of $1,-300,000,000 to approximately 400,000 farmers located in practically every agricultural county in the Union. This army of farmers is saving at least $26,000,000 in interest annually because of these long-term, low interest bearing loans".

"A better day for the farmer has arrived", declared W. W. Martin, a director of the bank from Missouri. "Secretaries should encourage farmers to stay with their 'game'. Real estate value in most of this district are headed upward. The farmer who sells now is sacrificing future profits, it seems to me". Mr. Martin told of sales of as much as 4000 acres of farm land in some counties in the last few months and how local associations are moving through local advertising.

Among those in attendance from the Lilbuorn National Farm Loan Association with headquarters at Lilbourn were J. H. Hoterman, secretary, and J. P. Stearns of Lilbourn. This association has been making long-term loans for the last several years, securing its funds from the Federal Land Bank of St. Louis. Its total loans now amount to about $129,700.

Those in attendance from the Morehouse National Farm Loan Association were Charles Albright, secretary and J. S. Wallace. This association has been making long-term loans for the last several years, securing its funds from the Federal Land Bank of St. Louis. Its total loans now amount to about $102,500. Farmers in this territory obtain loans from this association not only because of the low rate of interest, now 5 per cent, but because of the case with which they repay their loans. The semi-annual installment amounts to very little more than straight interest upon the amount borrowed.

Mr. and Mrs. David Lumsden spent Sunday afternoon in Poplar Bluff.

Mrs. Walter Holmes of Oran spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. David Lumsden.

The L. A. W. Class of the Christian church will meet with Mrs. J. T. Singleton Tuesday evening at 7:30. All members are urged to attend.

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Shelbyville—Streets of this place being improved.

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The Christmas Shopper





MISS HEPPSIE'S Christmas turkey had disappeared and she had looked in every crook and crannie of the great old Padgett place, chiefly to reassure herself. She was indignantly sure that she knew who had taken her bird, although she had not really seen it go, for there had been hushed rumors of her neighbors' evil practices. Miss Heppsie had not listened very much. Lonely and prim, she lived in the house where her father was born. The changing world beyond her walls went by without her knowing, and the ill-reputed neighbors were strangers, except for an occasional glimpse of a horde of bedraggled children. And now she hated them.



Miss Heppsie Continued to Stare.

Miss Heppsie Padgett wondered what to do.

The sun set red behind the naked trees and cast long purple shadows on the snow of Christmas eve. It was too late to get another turkey. The array of pies and cakes, even the dressing, were waiting for the morrow, and it was the first time in the history of the proud old red brick house that Christmas time had been without a turkey. The more Miss Heppsie thought of it the angrier she became. Then on the wide front porch she heard the commotion of many footsteps and, presently, the thud of a timid knocker. Few visitors came to the Padgett house, so the parlor was dark and the heavy front door was bolted. Miss Heppsie opened it a trifle and, there, on her spotless porch, were a half-dozen ragged children, frightened, cold, unlovely, but bathed in the chastening light of the winter moon, and, carried on the back of one, was Miss Heppsie's Christmas turkey.

For a long, tense moment they looked at each other, the woman, the children, the turkey, then, quaveringly, but with a strange uplifted pride, the biggest of the children blurted out: "Maw sent it back." Miss Heppsie continued to stare. There was nothing encouraging in the steady gaze of her eyes but the boy went on: "Maw sent us out to swipe it but she changed her mind, I guess. She said it wouldn't taste good nohow, on Christmas, and we'd just have hominy and turnips, and apple sauce fer puddin', same as always. She sent yer turkey back 'cause, even if you didn't need it, really, 'twasn't hers." Suddenly the boy began to cry. "Gee, it must be grand," he sobbed, "to live in a big fine house like this and have turkey for Christmas dinner." Then, as if a great joy had come to him, he raised his head and smiled through his tears. "But we ain't goin' to steal no more. We ain't, not ever, 'cause maw, she said we wuzn't." The moonlight that fell on his earnest face erased the lines of hardness and left only a baby purity. Babies, surely, almost all of them were, huddled there together, strangely timid yet strangely strong in the humbleness of their confession. Across the night a song rang out, carolers bearing His message. "For whatsoever ye do unto one of the least of these—"

Suddenly Miss Heppsie saw her Christmas table, laden and she in selfish solitude, presiding at the feast. No love had ever stirred her heart at Christmas. And then she saw her feast again, with a group of happy faces round it, immersed in turkey and cake, and at the foot of the table, a mother who said, "We ain't goin' to steal no more." With a soft, choked cry, she opened her arms long empty, and into their warmth she drew the tangle of huddled, hungry, children.

Across the night a song rang out, carolers bearing His message, "Glory to God in the Highest, on earth peace, good-will toward men."

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BE MERRY AND KIND

AT CHRISTMAS be merry and
thanke God of all;
And feast thy pore neighbors, the great with the small.
Yea, all the yere have an ele to the poore,
And God will send luck to keep open thy doore.
—Sixteenth Century Carol.

MO. SPORTSMEN WOULD CHANGE DUCK SEASON

Exerps from the December Missouri Game and Fish News would indicate that efforts of sportsmen to change the present short season on wild ducks will soon be effective.

The conflict as now exists is between the Federal law and the restrictions imposed by the State. The former decides by law that the season in Missouri and Illinois should be September 16th to December 31st inclusive each year, while the State statutes extend the time from January 1 to April 30 and from September 1 to December 31.

When the United States entered into a treaty with Great Britain providing for the protection of migratory birds in the United States and Canada, it was specified that neither country would permit more than three and a half months of shooting, but each government would be entitled to designate the particular period during which it would permit shooting. Our federal government decided that the season in Missouri and Illinois should be September 16th to December 31st, inclusive, each year.

This puts these two States in the same classification as Wisconsin, Michigan, Minnesota, Iowa, Kansas, Colorado, Nebraska, South Dakota, North Dakota, Wyoming and Montana. The southern States have a season beginning at a later date than that in Missouri and Illinois and extending beyond the first of the year. The Oklahoma season is October 1st to January 15th. Other southern States bordering on Missouri, namely, Arkansas, Tennessee and Kentucky, have a season running from November 1st to January 31st.

It will be seen, therefore, that Missouri is farther south than any of the other States in the Mississippi Valley that have no January hunting. The southern part of Missouri, where the cotton fields bloom, has conditions not unlike that of other southern States, so far as migratory birds are concerned. These conditions have aroused sportsmen to clamor for a change in the season that will permit them to hunt during all or a portion of January, when ordinarily the duck shooting conditions are favorable. A similar situation exists in Southern Illinois.

A letter from Keith McCanse to Hon. Paul G. Redington, Chief Bureau of Biological Survey at Washington, carries out the same line of argument:

"When we come to that part of Missouri south of the Missouri River, which is, from the standpoint of both territory and population, greater than north Missouri, there will be practically unanimous opinion of all hunters who hunt in this region to the effect that the migratory bird season should be later than it now is. As a matter of fact, southern Missouri has been greatly discriminated against in this respect. Of all the States in the great Mississippi watershed, Missouri is the farthest south of any of those whose shooting season closes as early as December 31st. In Missouri's sister States to the south the hunting season extends either to January 15 or January 31. The extreme differences in condition in Missouri must be taken into consideration. While northern Missouri is representative of the great corn belt, yet the southern part of our State has the cotton fields of the old south. While the farmers of north Missouri are using bob-sleds, at the same time the piccaninnies along the Missouri-Arkansas line are going barefooted.

Orignally when your Advisory Board decided upon the seasons for hunting migratory birds, all conditions in the United States could not, of course, be taken into consideration, but it seems now since you have had the opportunity of viewing the practical operation of the seasons in various territories that obvious injustices, such as that existing in southern Missouri, should be corrected.

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